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of the Borough of Colchester

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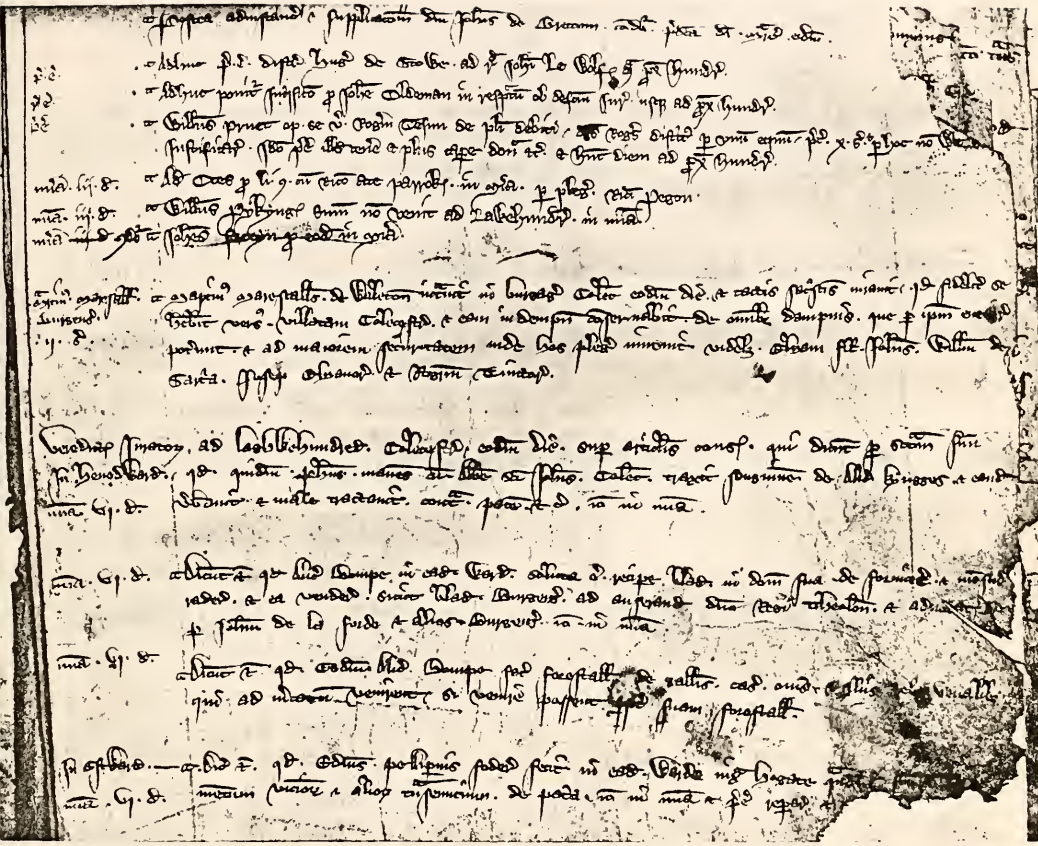

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A PORTION OF PARCHMENT COURT ROLL OF 1310-1311.

(For Latin transcription see opposite.)

EXTENDED TRANSCRIPTION OF COURT ROLL.

For Summarized Translation see Mr. I. H. Jeayes' Text on page 2.

Postea ad instanciam et supplicacionem domini Johis. de Bretoun condonatur predicta dimidia marca eidem

p' e' — Item Adhuc preceptum est distringere Hugonem de Stowe ad respondendum Johi. Le Wolf contra proximum hundredum

p' e' — „ Adhuc ponitur Inquisicio pro Johe. Oldeman in respectum ob defectum Juratæ usque ad prox. hundredum [Enquiry respited, on account of defect of jury, to the next Hundred.]

p' e' — „ Willelmus Pruet optulit se versus Rogerum Tesun de placito debiti. Dictus Rogerus districtus per unum equum precii xs., per hoc non vult [se] justificari. Ideo preceptum est illud tenere et plus capere, donec, etc. Et habent diem ad prox. hundredum

misericordia iijd. — „ Adam Otes pro licencia concordandi cum Ricardo ate Parroke, in misericordia per plegium Ricardi Pegon

mia. iijd. — „ Willelmus Pykyng summonitus non venit ad Lawhundredum, in mia.

mia. [iijd] condonatur — „ Johes. Scrotyn pro eodem, in mia.

Martinus Marescallus — „ Martinus Marescallus de Waleton intravit in burgagium Colec. eodem die et tactis sacro-sanctis juravit quod fideliter se habebit versus villatam Colecestrie et eam indempnem conservabit de omnibus dampnis que per ipsum evenire poterunt et ad majorem securitatem inde hos plegios invenit, videlicet Elyam fil. Johannis, Willelmum de Sartera, Josep Elyanore et Rogerum Tinctorem.

Burgensis ijs.

Veredictum Juratorum. In Heued Ward. mia. vjd. — ad laghwehundredum Colecestrie eodem die super articulis consuetis. qui dicunt per sacramentum suum quod quidam Johannes, manens cum Abbate sancti Johannis, Colec., traxit sanguinem de Alicia Kyngges et eandem verberavit et male tractavit, contra pacem, etc. Ideo in mia.

mia. vjd. — Item Dicunt etiam quod Alicia Bompe in eadem Warda solita est recipere blada in domo sua de forinsecis et mensuram radere [to erase the measurement] et ea vendere sicut blada Burgensium ad auferendum domino regi theolonium. et adjudicatum est per Johannem de la Forde et alios burgenses. ideo in mia.

mia vjd. — „ Dicunt etiam quod eadem Alicia Bompe facit forestallagium de gallinis, caseo, ovis, et aliis rebus venalibus qui ad marcatam venirent, si venire possent propter suam forestallagium.

In Est Ward mia. vjd. — Item. Dicunt etiam quod Edmundus Pelliparius fodere fecit in eadem Warda juxta Hogate quandam foveam ad nocumentum vicinorum et aliorum transeuntium de patria. ideo in mia., et preceptum est reparare et.....

INTRODUCTORY.

THIS volume comprises nine Court Rolls of the Borough of Colchester, ranging between 1310 and 1352. Each Roll represents one municipal year—Michaelmas to Michaelmas. The Bailiffs (two) who were the Chief Magistrates—Colchester had no Mayor until 1635—were elected by the Four-and-Twenty of the town, that is the Council, generally on the Monday following the Nativity of the Virgin (Sept. 8). The Bailiffs were to be "sufficient men, of good conversation, the most loyal and the most profitable of the community." Each received £3 a year and a thirty-shilling robe. They took office on Michaelmas Day, for one year, and presumably they presided over the Courts.

These nine Court Rolls are all that remain for this period of 42 years—Michaelmas 1310 to Michaelmas 1352. The other 33 rolls are lost. A brief summary of them from 1327 onwards, giving the names of burgesses admitted, wills registered, and leases, &c., enrolled, appears in the Red Parchment Book (Oath Book) of the town. Of the Court Rolls of Colchester, from 1310 to Michael mas 1741, about 250 are preserved. The record of them is approximately as follows:—

	Court Rolls Preserved.	*Lost.*
1310 to 1400–1	31	60
1401 to 1500–1	51	49
1501 to 1600–1	82	18
1601 to 1700–1	50	50
1701 to 1740–1	36	4
Total	250	181

Unluckily some of the lost rolls represent years of special importance and excitement—this may account sometimes for their disappearance—but the surviving remnant is a fairly big inheritance, representing as it does 58 per cent of these annual records, extending over 431 years. What are left are a sufficiently formidable collection to publish. There are nine years—out of 250—in this volume. The remaining unpublished rolls are more than enough to fill thirty or forty or even fifty volumes like the present one, for many of the subsequent Court Rolls are far more voluminous.

The two most important Books of Record of the Borough of Colchester have already been transcribed, translated, and published in full, each with an adequate index—namely "The Red Paper Book" (1902) and "The Oath Book or Red Parchment Book" (1907). The Charters of the Borough, translated (like the present Court Rolls) by Mr. Isaac Herbert Jeayes, were published in full in 1904. Many of the Rolls in this volume are stained, faded, or mutilated, and their transcription has required great skill and experience. Mr. Jeayes is to be congratulated on the efficiency and the thoroughness with which he has accomplished his task. Mr. Jeayes has set right several small errors—some of which are not unimportant—in Mr. Harrod's rather brief and no doubt somewhat hasty survey of these Rolls (*Report on the Records of the Borough of Colchester*, 1865).

In starting the publication of the Court Rolls—which represent but a small portion of the unpublished Corporation Records—the Colchester Town Council begins a long and laborious journey. It must not be assumed that all the subsequent Court Rolls will be published, as these are, *in extenso*. But there will be no question, amongst antiquaries and students, that it is worth while to give these earlier records, at any rate, in full. The details are petty for the most part, but they have their value and significance and any curtailment would almost nullify that value. How far future volumes can be issued on the same scale as the present one, must depend partly on the support which is given to this publication.

The Court Rolls explain themselves. They are a record of the more important "Town Business" in early days and they are the clerk's statement of all fees and fines received. It will be seen that occasionally they record "a full assembly of the Burgesses" to decide some matter of importance; but for the most part the business of the Court was judicial.

All sorts of "trespasses" were dealt with—assaults, encroachments, and petty misdemeanours—and actions for the recovery of debts were numerous. The chief Courts were, of course the Law Hundreds—held three times a year, viz., on the Monday after Michaelmas, the Monday after Hilary, and the Monday after Hokeday. Hokeday was, I think, the third Monday after Easter, though there is some slight doubt as to whether it was not (at any rate in some localities) the second Monday after Easter.

The Hundred Courts were also held on Mondays, generally two in each month, with an interval of 14 days between the two. The Courts of "Pleas" were held on all days of the week, even on Sundays, though this was very exceptional. They were seldom (in the fourteenth century) held on Thursday or Saturday. Often these Courts of Pleas seem to have been of the Piepoudre Court order, arranged for speedy settlement of cases. Thus on Monday, June 21, 1311, a Court was held in the morning, another in the afternoon, and another at vespers; and a further Court was held the next morning (Tuesday).

The volume of litigation and its variety are surprising, having regard to the presumably moderate population of the borough, possibly about 3,000 to 4,000 at this period. The amount received in fees and fines was considerable, when the 14th century value of money is considered. The professional "attorneys" and the more or less professional "pledges," who reappear with great regularity, must have made a fairly good business out of the litigious and turbulent folk of Colchester.

It would also seem that at the Law Hundreds the presentments of millers, bakers, women-brewers, and of certain others for various delinquencies—all mulcted with monotonous regularity—seem to have been rather a matter of form and at the same time a method of revenue. Similar fines were exacted by the Abbot of St. John in his Colchester manors of Greensted and West Donyland.

It will be observed that Colchester was governed and regulated on the manorial system. Legal terms and other points of difficulty have been annotated. The special interest of these early Court Rolls as elucidating the origin of surnames is dealt with in an article in the ESSEX REVIEW (April, 1921).

Much might be said on many other points of interest in these Court Rolls as illustrations of life and manners in the Middle Ages and of the progress of local government. The elucidation of the various place-names is of much local interest. This must be left till a subsequent volume, when I hope that a fairly complete map of mediæval Colchester, founded on these and subsequent Court Rolls and other early Colchester records, will be possible. Many places referred to cannot at

present be exactly identified. Master John's Lane (Mayster jonys lane), p. 228, apparently Pelham's Lane, is interesting as denoting possibly the place of residence of Master John, of Colchester, founder of St. Helen's chantry.

The personages in this volume are not without interest. Following them up with the help of the index and of other published and unpublished records, many of them can be brought to life. In fact a "Who's Who" of mediæval Colchester could be produced with results of some value to genealogists, and to students generally. I have selected a few only of the principal characters in the hope that others will try their hands at disentangling the records and thus add to the biographical list. It will be seen that the smallest details often give useful clues and enlightening particulars, and this illustrates the desirability of transcribing these rather voluminous records in full. Nor could much result be obtained without a full and careful index. On this index much pains have been bestowed. It is the work of a lady, and I think it is a good one. As Mr. Bagnet said, "Take a day's march. And you won't find a better. But I never own it before her. Discipline must be maintained."

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"WHO'S WHO" OF THE PRINCIPAL PERSONAGES.

THE SHIPMAN.

PETER DE ASTON.—M.P. 16 Edw. II., Nov. 14, 1322 (York). Bailiff in 1321 (?) 1323 and 1325. He is probably identical with Peter le Salterer, mentioned in the *Oath Book* (p. 201) as one of the Bailiffs in 1321-2. There is no other mention of this "Peter le Salterer" in any other record at present known, except this volume, where we find the wife of "Peter le Salter" presented for selling beer against the assize (Oct. 4, 1311). Her position in the list shows that she lived at the Hythe. Peter de Aston had a quay and a tenement at the Hythe (*Oath Book*, pp. 53 and 206)—paying sixpence a year "service" to the town for the quay. If he was, as is likely, a "Salter," he was also probably a shipman. There is some further evidence of this in addition to his quay and his residence at the Hythe. On June 14, 1311, he, with Alexander of Mersea and four other jurors were appointed to value a ship and its tackle, in an action by Richard Le Forceter against Adam le Orloger of Mersea, who had failed to deliver the ship to the plaintiff, for good reason that he (Adam) was only half-owner of it. Peter de Aston, on Jan. 8, 1330, was surety for Alexander le Archer, a sailor on his admission as burgess; also on Sept. 9, 1330, for two other sailors admitted burgesses, namely John atte Vanne and John atte Hyde. In the last case one of Peter de Aston's co-sureties was John Davy, who had previously been a co-assessor of the Mersea ship with him.

A Little Scandal.

The worst bit of scandal in this book concerns Peter de Aston's wife. The story is on pages 16 and 20, and is told, I think with some gusto, reflecting perhaps the prevalent feeling in that time against the monastic orders. William de Hetha, chaplain, otherwise Willelmus Capellanus de Hethe, or in other words William, a chaplain at the Hythe (not the parish priest) brought a complaint, on Jan. 9, 1311, against Roger Carter, that he forcibly entered the Chaplain's house at the Hythe, and searched there for Peter de Aston's wife. He even entered the chaplain's chamber and looked for her there, and accused him of keeping her with him, "and of other enormities." The Chaplain is careful to explain matters, and his explanation, as given, is curious. He states that he had arranged with Peter de Aston to support the latter's wife at his table for the whole of that year, for three marks, that is for 40s. The Chaplain complains that "on account of this accusation and defamation" Peter de Aston had repudiated this singular bargain, so that he (the Chaplain) had sustained 40s. damages. To which the clerk adds rather crisply, "Roger denies the whole matter and is prepared to defend himself by his law." So it was agreed that the case should come on at the next Lawhundred, on Jan. 18. Such expeditious law would have been contrary to the practice of those days. The case was "essoined" on Jan. 18, when it was fixed to be heard a fortnight thence. Meanwhile (on Jan. 11) it had been recorded that the Chaplain had "put in his place" Joseph Elyanore against Roger Carter. This means that he had instructed Joseph Elyanore to act as his attorney. And Roger Carter it seems went to William de Sartria (or de Sarcino) (q.v.) who is mentioned as "Roger Carter's attorney" on Jan. 28—another evidence that William de Sartria, though apparently a clothier and dealer in cloth, also dealt in law. On Feb. 1 Roger Carter duly appeared and "did his law," but the case collapsed. Joseph Elyanore seems to have been in court, but whether he made any statement is not mentioned. It is simply announced that it was decided that the said Roger should be acquitted, and that William the Chaplain, who apparently was absent, should be "in mercy," meaning I suppose mulct in costs. These were fixed at 6d., a fairly large sum then.

A Litigious Lady.

Except as "Peter the Salter's wife" (Oct. 1311), we hear no more of this lady for nearly thirty years. Peter himself died about 1335; his will was proved in 1335-6 (*Oath Book*, p. 49). His widow Joan was executrix. On Oct.

16, 1340, she was in litigation with Sir John Baynard, Knight. After many adjournments, each of which probably meant costs, the case came before a jury at the Law-hundred on Jan. 9, 1341. From the verdict it appears that Warin atte Welle had also been named as an executor of Peter de Aston's will and Joan's defence seems to have been that Warin atte Welle should have been defendant or co-defendant. The jury found that Warin had never had administration of the goods of the deceased Peter.

A verdict was given therefore in favour of Sir Thomas Baynard, who was to recover from the widow £7 6s. 8d., and £5 damages, of which Sir Thomas generously (or diplomatically) gave £1 to "the clerks." The widow was further ordered to pay 6d. "for the unjust detention."

The lady gave what further trouble she could. On Feb. 26 she had not paid anything—unless it may have been the sixpence. An order was made for her goods to be distrained to recover the £7 6s. 8d. and the £5 damages. On April 16 she had not paid, and "it was still ordered to levy on the goods of Joan Aston as before." A like order was made on May 28, without result. Probably the clerks became anxious about their twenty shillings. On June 11 the sub-Bailiffs, John atte Watere and Nicholas Waweyn, were ordered to levy the £7 6s. 8d. on her goods. As this ends the record it would seem that the money was secured—after nearly nine months of law.

Journey to York.

Peter de Aston left at least two sons, Thomas, whose will was proved in 1342-3, and John, who died in the year of the Great Pestilence 1347-8, when his will is recorded (*Oath Book*, pp. 53, 55). Probably some of the lost rolls would have told us more about Peter, and his shipping enterprises at the Hythe. I should like to know how the representatives of Colchester went to York when Parliament met there. It was to York that Peter de Aston and Elias the son of John, went as the Borough representatives in November, 1322. It is only fancy, but I like to think that they may have sailed up the Colne in Peter's barge, "y-cleped the Mawdelayne," and along the coast to the Humber and then from the Humber up the Ouse to York City—and let us hope that Elias was a good sailor.

THE BARBER-SURGEON.

RICHARD THE BARBER.—M.P. as "Richard le Barbor" 6 Edwd. III., Dec. 4. 1332 (York). He was Bailiff (junior) 1324. Presumably he was the same Richard le Barbour who was good enough to stand as a pledge for Simon Barber (Barbitonsor) prosecuted by Richard of Layer, Dec. 20, 1311 (see also p. 62). This gives me an opportunity of mentioning that the marginal note "Skin damaged" against the former entry (p. 60) does not mean that Simon the Barber was charged with damaging the skin of Richard Legra. It is an intimation (by Mr. Jeayes) that the parchment is here in a bad state and that thus Richard de Legra's name is illegible. Richard le Barbour was probably a Surgeon-Barber. He seems to have held a good position. He is at the head of the jury list (May 20, 1312) in a rather important case of an affray in Colchester market-place. Also he became pledge for one of the defendants, which does not seem quite fitting. On March 13, 1312, Richard le Barbour (mentioned first) was one of six specially reputable burgesses who were pledges for Adam, son of William le Barbour, in a case evidently serious, though as it was indictable we hear no more about it. There seems to have been a good professional feeling amongst the Barbers.

The Brewster Wives.

Richard the Barber's wife brewed beer and, like most of the other wives of the town, was fined frequently for selling it at an illegal price. She lived in the Head Ward. The ways and wiles of beer-brewing wives are illustrated by a passage in *Piers Plowman* (A.D. 1362), Passus 5, line 218:—

My wife was a webbe [weaver], and woollen cloth made;
I bought her barley malt, she *brewed it to sell*;
Penny ale and pudding ale she pouréd together
For laborers and for low folk: this [ale] lay by hymselve [itself];
The best ale lay in my bower or in my bed-chamber,
And whoso bummed [tasted] thereof bought it thereafter,
A gallon for a groat,—God wot, no less!

("Penny-ale" was thin; "pudding-ale" was the stronger quality.)

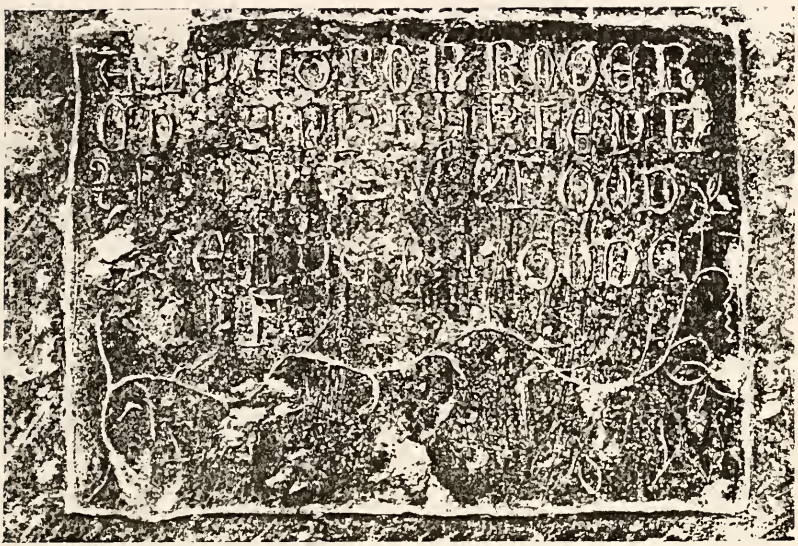
Richard the Barber is mentioned in 1341 as surrendering a quay at the Hythe, with houses built upon it. He had a sister Margery, who was presented (Jan. 15, 1330), for putting little benches in the market-place and fixing them in front of her rails there, "to the nuisance of the passers by." Richard the Barber kept sheep, for his shepherd is mentioned Jan 15, 1330. Other evidence of his agricultural propensities is that he had a carter, who "dug sand in the King's way at Holemere," but was pardoned (Jan. 20, 1337). Richard le Barbour died in the First Pestilence, 1348-9. His widow survived and continued to brew beer and was fined in 1351 for selling at three-halfpence a gallon.

A TOWN CLERK.

ROBERT BECHE (or DE BECHE).—M.P., 29 Edw. III., Nov. 12 and 23, 1355 (Westminster). Admitted a burgess 1342-3. An entry on page 229, in reference to a deed of 1350, seems to show that at that date he was Common Clerk of Colchester. In 1374-5 he is described as "notary." He was evidently a busy man of law. Occasionally he acted for the Abbot of St. John and he had a tenement abutting and encroaching on St. John's Green (*Oath Book*, p. 206). He had a "shop," presumably his place of business or office, "by the gate of the hall of the Commonalty of Colchester," leased to him in 1349-50 at 6s. 8d. a year—which sounds to our modern ears an appropriate "rental" for a lawyer. It is possible that he was son of Robert the Clerk, but this is a guess with no particular evidence at present to support it. Possibly he took his surname from "La Biche," a place in Greenstead Parish, "beyond the East Gate of Colchester" (i.e. outside the gate)—in the manorial jurisdiction of the Abbey. This locality, probably so called from a beech tree or a grove of beech trees, is often mentioned in the Abbey *Cartulary*, as is Adam de La Biche or Adam de La Bichehath (Beech Heath). In a deed of Dec. 1255, the locality is called "la Bych." John Beche, Bailiff in 1428, 1431, etc., was M.P. in the reign of Henry VI. and may have been a descendant. The Beche family was prominent in Colchester to 1552 and probably later. There is nothing however to show that the famous Thomas Beche (alias Marshall), the last Abbot of St. John (executed 1539) was of Colchester origin or family. In 1458-9 there was a Robert Beche of Colchester, "clerk," very probably descended from Robert Beche who was admitted burgess in 1342-3. The will of "Robert Beche, clerk," was proved 1379-80. There is reason to suppose that he was Common Clerk (i.e. Town Clerk) up to the time of his death.

THE GAOLER.

ROGER CHAMBERLAYN.—One of the lesser personages, but of interest because of his memorial inscription in Colchester Castle (see illustration) hitherto an unidentified memorial which has occasioned some curious theories. Roger Chamberlayn was admitted a burgess 1347-8. He seems to have been an officer of the Borough Court, and (subsequently) gaoler, probably gaoler at the Castle as well as at the Moot Hall gaol. He is



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MEMORIAL INSCRIPTION TO ROGER CHAMBERLAYN —ALIAS ROGER THE GAOLER—AND HIS WIFE, AT COLCHESTER CASTLE.

This inscription is carved in one of the original stones of the Castle, near the niche, regarded as "The Warder's Seat." The lettering is of the period of Edward III. The inscription has suffered from time and accidental injury but as nearly as can be deciphered is as follows: "AL YAT FOR ROGER CHANNBYRLEYN & FOR HYS WYF GOD YEF HEM AL GODE LYF." (All that [pray] for Roger Channbyrleyn and for his wife God give them all good life). *See page* viii. (*opposite*).

associated with John Castell or Castelayn, who seems to have been a "castellan" or warder at Colchester Castle, and also a Borough Sergeant. Roger also kept a wine shop of some kind. About 1350 he had a tenement "in front of the market," and a stall in front of the tenement. He (and his successor in these holdings) sold wine—of course "against the assize."

His wife Elena brewed and sold beer—at the customary but illegally high price of three-halfpence a gallon. Roger appears to have died about 1360 and his widow a few years later. He is called Roger Gaoler from about 1350 onwards and his widow became "Elena Gaoler" after his decease. Further particulars are in the Essex Archæological *Transactions* (published 1921).

ANOTHER TOWN CLERK.

RICHARD THE CLERK (otherwise RICHARD LEGRA, i.e. "Richard of Layer.")—He appears to have been Town Clerk of Colchester, responsible for keeping the earlier Rolls in this volume. He rarely missed a Court up to about 1348. His name appears in these earlier rolls about 200 times and almost every entry meant, I suppose, a fee. For it was ordained in 1372, that no fees were to be paid to the Bailiffs for entries, "but only to the Clerk for his labour" (*Oath Book*, p. 33). Sometimes Richard was acting as Common Clerk and on other occasions as a lawyer. This accounts perhaps for his describing himself usually as "Richard Clericus" and in certain cases as "Richard de Leyre." Occasionally it is "Richard de Leyre, clerk," or "Richard de Legra, clerk." Perhaps this meant a double fee. In 1312 he was perhaps only assistant clerk or deputy clerk (to his father, William ?) On April 17, 1312, he took on himself new duties (temporarily). "Richard de Legra, clerk, was admitted and sworn Serjeant in the place of Richard Pegon, on account of the latter's impotence and weakness, to collect the toll, make arrests, and do other things pertaining to that office, till the said Richard should recover from his illness." (Richard Pegon died 1334-5.) Richard de Legra triumphantly asserted his authority as Serjeant and the fact is recorded (perhaps by himself) June 5, 1312 (p. 81). On June 13, 1312, he is called Richard Clerk de Legra. It is rather interesting to have this Latin form (Legra) for Layer (near Colchester), as it is identical with the Domesday spelling. The fact that Richard Clericus is identical with Richard de Leyre is corroborated by the entries on p. 87 (July 24, 1312) about the killing of Richard's pig in the garden of Roger Alfred. The will of "John, son and heir of Richard the Clerk," was proved in 1361-2 (the year following the second Pestilence). Richard himself died, I think, in 1348. Robert Beche (q.v.) seems to have succeeded him as Clerk by the year 1351. "Michael Aunger, clerk of the town," a very remarkable character, was admitted a burgess in 1378-9. Apparently he succeeded Robert Beche, whose will was proved in 1379-80.

A MAN OF LAW.

ROBERT LE CLERK.—A deed in the St. John's Abbey *Cartulary*, dated Jan. 1338, refers to lands at Greenstead then acquired by St.Botolph's Priory from Joseph Elianore, Robertus le Clerk de Colecestria, and Sir William Elond of Layer de la Haye, chaplain. This seems to mean that Robert was then "the Clerk of Colchester," but this must not be assumed too hastily. "De Colecestria" may have been introduced to distinguish him from another Robert Clericus of the Abbey. Robert Clericus appears with great regularity in the Court from November 15, 1333, up to Michaelmas, 1340. He was then elected Senior Bailiff. He had been junior Bailiff the year before and he was again Bailiff in 1343-4. Whilst Bailiff he does not figure in the litigation. He reappears in 1345-6, but only occasionally. The will of "Robert, son of William le Clerk," was proved 1348-9. Robert le Clerk acted as surety for Robert Beche (q.v.) Feb. 28, 1346. There is some reason to think that Robert le Clerk may have been son of "William of Colchester," otherwise William the Clerk and brother of Warin fil. William. Elsewhere I hazard the guess that he may possibly have been father of Robert Beche.

LAWYER & M.P.

WILLIAM THE CLERK.—M.P. 34 Edw. I., May 3, 1306 (Westminster); 1 Edw. II., Oct. 1, 1307 (Northampton); 3 Edw. II., April 27, 1309 (Westminster); 5 Edw. II., Aug. 8 and Nov. 12, 1311 (London). Bailiff in 1307, 1318 (or thereabouts) and perhaps in 1322. Mentioned in Court Rolls up to July 17, 1312. On March 14, 1312, he is called William de Colecester. William Clerk is mentioned as one of the members of the Council May 3, 1311 (p. 34), and on July 14, 1311 (p. 42). On page 43 (July 26, 1311), he is attorney for William, vicar of Thorpe, in an action for recovery of a debt, and on p. 45 is attorney in another case. On Nov. 29, 1311, he was fined, with John de la Forde and John Lotun, for not coming, as summoned, to tax the goods of John Ayllet, a miller. On April 3, 1312, he is attorney (with Simon Toche) for the Prior of Colne. On Apr. 17, 1312, he seems to be acting for the Prior of St. Botolph. On May 30, 1312, he is attorney for the Prior of Mersea.

In the First Pestilence (1348-9) the wills were proved of Robert, son of William le Clerk, and Richard son of William le Clerk. Warin fil. Willelmi (q.v.) is described in an important writ (p. 26) as son of William de Colecestria (Feb. 15, 1311). William the Clerk is so described, as already stated, on page 69. It is possible, therefore, that Warin fil. Willelmi was son of William the Clerk, and that Richard the Clerk (q.v.) and Robert the Clerk were brothers of Warin.

"IN THE KING'S SERVICE."

JOSEPH ELIANORE (also spelt ELYANORE, ALYANORE, ALIANORE, etc.).—M.P. 4 Edward III., Nov. 26, 1330 (Westminster); 6 Edward III., Sept. 9, 1332 (Westminster); 11 Edward III., Sept. 26, 1337 (Westminster); and 12 and 13 Edward III., Jan. 14, 1339 and Feb. 3, 1339 (Westminster). He was (I think) at least seven times Bailiff of Colchester, 1310 (as Joseph Clerk), 1328, 1329, 1330, 1331, 1338, 1342. Probably the most notable townsman of his time, and one of the wealthiest. He is sometimes called Joseph Clerk and (twice) on page 104 (April 23, 1330) "Joseph de Colecestre, clerk." His name appears more frequently than any other in these Court Rolls, except perhaps Richard the Clerk, alias Richard de Legra. There is a remarkable entry on page 23 (Feb. 24, 1311) where "Joseph Elyanor" is described as being in the "service of the Lord King" (qui est in servicio domini regis). He seems to have been (in Dec. 1312) —see p. 61—steward or bailiff of Master John of Colchester, afterwards rector of Tendring, a man of property, who founded a chantry in St. Helen's Chapel in 1322 and who died in 1327-8. Joseph Elianore is one of the ten important personages mentioned (*Oath Book*, p. 201) as witnessing the deed of dedication and endowment in London on Jan. 17, 1322. Joseph Elianore was no doubt a lawyer, though he may have pursued other avocations. He lived near "the Tannery" in Colchester, but this is not precisely identified.

A Busy Man.

As we have seen Joseph Elianore is mentioned once as being "in the King's service." This may mean only that he was not present personally on that occasion in court (Feb. 24, 1311) to essoin his client, and that his absence was condoned because he was away on some important official business for the State. There are several notable breaks in his otherwise regular appearances in the courts, due apparently to absence from Colchester or to illness. Joseph Elianore's litigation on his own behalf and on behalf of clients was very considerable. He seems to have had trouble in recovering debts against him and resorted to a method which was in favour in those days—seizing property belonging to his creditors. They would sometimes (apparently) retaliate by seizing his property. Then followed actions for "unjust detention," and sometimes Joseph Elianore lost the day. His public work as a member of the Common Council was continuous. His name appears in a great variety of matters. As a comparatively young man, when Bailiff in 1318, he with his friends, Elias Fitz John and Hubert of Colchester, and nine others forming a jury, drew up articles against the Abbot of St. John for various encroachments on town properties and rights (*Red Paper Book*, p. 45). Twenty years later, when again Bailiff, he was concerned in drawing up terms of agreement with the Abbot to settle longstanding "discords, contentions and demands," with the result that peace was established, at any rate, for a time.

There is no record of Joseph Elianore's death and no mention of his will, which was perhaps proved elsewhere. He disappears from view on Oct. 2, 1346, but the Court Rolls for the four following years are lost. He was probably dead in 1351. No mention of him occurs in the rolls for that year or subsequent years.

His Chantry.

Joseph Elianore himself founded a chantry in the church of St. Mary-at-the-Walls, Colchester, and we may therefore suppose that he probably lived in that parish. He founded this chantry in February, 1348, the time of the Great Pestilence, and endowed it very richly with properties partly outside the town but mainly scattered about Colchester (and largely in St. Mary's parish). It was endowed for the benefit of two chaplains, to pray for the souls of his father and mother "and the souls of Philippa, John, Hubert, and Elias, and all my benefactors." It was the wealthiest chantry in Colchester. The names are interesting. Philippa may have been his wife, but there is no record of this, though there is evidence that Joseph was married, for in the wills recorded at Colchester in 1348-9 (after the endowment) is that of "Peter, son of Joseph Elianore." John, Hubert, and Elias seem to mean John of Colchester, Hubert of Colchester, and Elias Fitz John Elys (q.v.) These were all wealthy men who had presumably been his patrons.

Grammar School Endowments.

Colchester Royal Grammar School owes its existence to the pious generosity of Joseph Elianore and his friend and patron John of Colchester, rector of Tendring. In 1538 Henry VIII. granted the estates of the Elianore Chantry and of St. Helen's Chapel Chantry to found this school. The present endowments consist of properties which can be clearly identified as possessions which Joseph Elianore conferred on his chantry in St. Mary's Church in Feb. 1348. Unfortunately the Colchester Council appropriated a large portion of these properties, squandering some and disposing of others. The Elianore estates still bring in about £400 a year to the School. Had they been fully conserved for that purpose the school income would have been several times that amount.

A FARMER (?) WHO LIVED AT SCHEREGATE.

WILLIAM DE LA FERMERYE.—M.P. 25 Edward III., Jan. 13, 1352 (Westminster) (recorded on the roll of Parliament as "William Fermory"). Bailiff, 1351. He appears in the Court Rolls as William de la Fermerye (p. 218), William Fermerye (p. 219), William Fermery (p. 220). Possibly he was son of Walter de Firmaria, admitted as burgess Nov. 16, 1310, also called Walter de la Fermerie (Oct. 2, 1329), Walter de Firmare (Oct. 4, 1333) and Walter de Firimare (May 30, 1334). "Firmarius" means "farmer," but "farmer" in medieval times did not mean necessarily an agriculturist. In Colchester there was a farmer of the tolls and other town dues (see page 3). There were also farmers of the various mills in the town (p. 158). There is not much to show that William de la Fermerye (William of the Farm) was a farmer of any kind. He had an action against John Baker in 1352, which he settled, but the cause of action is not disclosed. His house was at Scheregate, not far from St. John's Abbey. He had a quay at the Hythe, rental 12d. (*Oath Book*, p. 206) and a plot of land at the Hythe (*Ib.*); also a stall in the market place (*Ib.*, p. 213). His first wife Margaret or Margery, died in the First Pestilence (will proved 1348-9). He left a widow named Joan, who was tenant of the quay after his death. He died in the Second Pestilence (will proved 1361). His residence, his quay at the Hythe, and his stall in the market are not inconsistent with his having been a farmer or miller. Moreover on Jan. 18, 1361, he was essoigned "*de communi*" (for making excessive or exceptional use of common lands). His wife, residing in Head Ward (this would apply to Scheregate) was fined on the same date for selling beer contrary to the assize.

MAN OF MANY PARLIAMENTS.

ELIAS FITZ JOHN (1260?—1330?) He and Hubert of Colchester were the first representatives of the Borough in Parliament—at the "Model Parliament," summoned for Nov. 27, 1295. Elias was afterwards Borough representative in more than a dozen other eventful parliaments: May 1298 (York); Jan. 1301 (Lincoln); Feb. 1305 (Westminster); June 1307 (Carlisle); July 8, 1313 (Westminster); Sept. 23, 1313 (Westminster); Jan. 1315 (Westminster); May 1319 (York); Oct. 1320 (Westminster); Nov. 1322 (York); Jan. and Feb. 1324 (Westminster); Dec. 1326, Jan. 1327 (Westminster); and Feb. 1328 (York); and July 31, 1328 (York). What a diary he might have left! He saw Edward I. at the height of his glory, and in 1307 (at Carlisle), when the King had only a few more days to live. He saw the degenerate Edward II. and the partial reconciliation between him and the angry barons in 1313; and he was present in two parliaments of the Third Edward. He must have seen and heard most of the prominent personages of that stormy period. His full name as recorded in the roll of parliament, 1301, was Elias filius Johannis Elys, that is Elias son of John, son of Elias.

His Lineage.

With the help of the Cartulary of St. John's Abbey and other records we can trace his lineage back to a certain Turstan (otherwise Thurstan or Turstein) born about the time of Richard I. (1289-1299). Turstan seems to have died about 1230, and his widow, Avelina married "John Vicecomes de Colecestre," a mysterious personage, who perhaps inherited his surname (if it may be so called) from John Vicecomes (Sheriff or Portreeve) of Colchester, mentioned about 1150. About 1240 Avelina, widow of

Turstan and then wife of "Johannes Vicecomes," granted 12d. a year for the more abundant maintenance of the Abbot of St. John's kitchen, and secondarily for the benefit of the souls of the deceased Turstan ("dominus meus") and his son Bernard. The first witness to her deed of grant is "Elyas, my son and heir, who likewise has also granted it." This Elias filius Turstani is frequently mentioned in the Cartulary as witnessing Abbey deeds between 1230 and 1250. He had at least two sons, John and Oliver. Oliver is mentioned first in a deed which they both witnessed in 1255, but this does not prove that Oliver was the elder son. The record states: "Oliver fil Elye and John his brother." Both witnessed other deeds sometimes jointly. Possibly John died in early manhood. He was presumably father of Elias filius Johannis. Oliver fil. Elye was the latter's uncle. The names Oliver fil. Elye and Oliver Elys (the same person apparently) appear in these Court Rolls, 1311 and 1312, Oliver being each time accused of acts of violence and fined. He was perhaps son of the Oliver fil. Elye who witnessed a deed some fifty-six years earlier. It is remotely possible he was the same individual, though if so he would have been about eighty years old. The "assaults" alleged against Oliver in 1312 seem to have been the outcome of family or political feuds, and were perhaps the work of Oliver's servants or retainers (see p. 69). There is no reference to Oliver, nor to his son William after 1312. Isabella Elys (p. 67) for whom Elias fil. Johannis stood surety in Feb. 1312, when she settled a dispute about a sow, was presumably a relative.

A Zealous Townsman.

Elias fil. Johannis seems to have been a dignified personage. He is called a "clerk" (p. 67) meaning probably a man of law. He was jealous for the rights of Colchester. As a young man he took strong action against the Abbot of St. Osyth (May 1302), seizing the Abbot's cattle at Miland, Colchester, because the Abbot had unjustly levied tolls on Colchester burgesses at St. Osyth Fair (*Red Paper Book*, pp. 34-5).

Though Elias and Hubert of Colchester were colleagues in Parliament in 1295, in 1310 they were at variance. Hubert held of the Council a field called La Hyde, and had agreed to pay a pound of cummin each year, but had failed to do so for five years. Elias, to vindicate the public rights, seized Hubert's mare. Hubert retaliated by seizing Elias's cattle (Feb. 15, 1311). It would appear that Elias and Nicholas le Gros were in alliance and that Hubert and Richard le Longe were at times in combination. Margaret was "daughter and heir" of Elias Fitz John (p. 153). Elias was dead in 1337 and had probably died several years earlier. "Matilda Elys" mentioned on p. 204 (1316), is presumably another of the family. Elias filius Johannis was Bailiff in 1298 (?), 1302, 1303, 1308 (?), 1313, and 1314, but not, I think, in 1276, as included in some lists.

A MAN OF PROPERTY.

JOHN LANSELE (or DE LANSELE).—Admitted a burgess 1334-5. He was a man of property, but took no part apparently in local government. He had a tenement in the Head Ward and also was tenant of land "on the common river bank." He is of interest as probably his dwelling, with considerable grounds, stood in Trinity Street, where in later (Tudor) times "Tymperleys" the birthplace of the famous Dr. William Gilberd, was built. "Tymperleys" was "anciently called Lanseleys alias Lawsells" (deed of 1687). It is likely that this name came from John Lansele or de Lansele and incidentally it may be assumed that this name was pronounced "Launceley." Subsequently this famous "capitall messuage" was called "Stampes" because it came into possession of one Thomas Stampe. Roger Tymperley married Alice Stampe, sister and heir of Thomas and then the house became Tymperleys—its present name. Morant speaks of its earliest name as Lansels. John Lansele's doings as recorded in these Court Rolls are of no special interest. He died in the Great Pestilence of 1348, his will being proved 1348-9. Litigation which he commenced against Warin atte Welle and William de Hadleigh on May 10, 1346, seems to have been dragging on at the time of his death, and it was still unsettled Oct. 4, 1351. "The heirs of John Lansele" are mentioned in the *Oath Book*, p. 212. They paid 4d. a year for what is called John de Lansele's "paling [in the Head Ward] in front of Walter Rompour's tenement," which means I think, Walter le Trumpour's, for this personage had a tenement in 1337, opposite to the house next to Scheregate, and this might have been adjoining "Lanseles," now Tymperleys, in Trinity Street. The expression "heirs of John Lansele" suggests that he left no children as direct heirs. No one else of his name is mentioned in any Colchester records as far as I can ascertain.

A FULLER ?

RALPH ODE (or OUDE).—M.P. 8 Edw. III., Feb. 21, 1334 (York). Bailiff, 1307 ? (possibly, however, this was his father), 1320, 1333, 1334, 1338. He (or his father ?) was one of the Council, fourth on the list, in 1311 (p. 34). Ralph Ode's wife sold beer against the Assize (Oct. 4, 1311), but this is perhaps mother of the M.P. Ralph Ode, the Bailiff, seems to have been a fuller (see April 24, 1346), but he was not identical with "Ralph Fuller," for the latter was alive in 1352, whereas Ralph Ode died in the First Pestilence in 1348. His son and heir was John Ode and is so described in a deed dated Jan. 25, 1361—possibly John Ode of Mile End (1334, etc.) "Dominus John Ode" mentioned in these Rolls is probably identical with John Ode, parson of Colne Engaine (March 18, 1357). The name Ode was, no doubt, pronounced "Ody" and is so spelt in the next century. The name seems to be "Odo" abbreviated—or to be from the same source. The Ode family flourished for centuries in Colchester and perhaps still exists under the name Oddy.

MEMBER OF TWELVE PARLIAMENTS.

JOHN DE PARLES.—M.P. 7 Edw. II., July 8, 1313 (Westminster); 12 Edw. VI., Oct. 20, 1318 (York); 15 Edw. II., May 2, 1322 (York); 2 Edw. III., Feb. 7, 1328 (York); 8 Edw. III., Sept. 19, 1334 (Westminster); 9 Edw. III., May 26, 1335 (York); 10 Edw. III., March 11, 1336 (Westminster); 10 Edw. III., Sept. 23, 1336 (Nottingham); 12 and 13 Edw. III., Jan. 14, 1339 and Feb. 3, 1339 (Westminster); 13 Edw. III., Oct. 13, 1339 (Westminster); 18 Edw. III., June 7, 1344 (Westminster); 21 Edw. III., Jan 14, 1348 (Westminster). Twelve Parliaments in all and possibly more, as the Returns for several between 1313 and 1348 are lost. One might almost imagine that this was how he came by his surname, but such a derivation would be incorrect. "Parles," pronounced as two syllables, is probably from an ancient personal name, "Perlo" (Domesday T.R.E.), afterwards "Perles." John de Perles never seems to have been Bailiff of Colchester. He was one of the Council in 1311. He may have been a lawyer. In Oct. 1311, he is mentioned as an executor, with Edmund le Chaloner, of the will of William le Chaloner. He was in litigation with Robert Longe about this estate, or rather about seven shillings alleged to be due from Robert Longe,

and compromised for 2s. 6d. (Feb. 28, 1312). He seems to have been a friend of William de Plumsted, and he also stood as a pledge for the Abbot of St. John (Dec. 25, 1320), and for the Abbot of St. Osyth (May 30, 1334). His will is recorded in the year of the First Pestilence, 1348, but he may have died in 1347. Another John Parles turns up in Nov. 25, 1351; and there is mention of Robert Parles (1312) and William Parles, the latter probably a mistake for John; also Robert Parlys (July 23, 1352).

A CLERIC-LAWYER ?

WILLIAM DE PLUMSTED.—M.P. for Colchester, Jan. 30, 1301 (Lincoln), and again on Aug. 8, 1311 (London), on the latter occasion with William the Clerk as colleague. He and his parliamentary colleague of 1301, Elias fil. Johannis, were elected, by a "full assembly of the burgesses" in 1311 to reply to the Bishop of London in the King's Council about tolls, and were given rather full discretionary powers. His is the first name on a Jury which (Oct. 4, 1311) condemned Robert de Neyland for raising hue unjustly on himself (William de Plumsted) "for distraining on the said Robert in a stall which he held of him." It is curious that another member of the same Jury (Robert Olyver) was also personally involved and interested in a presentment made.

William de Plumsted seems to have believed in looking after himself. When he brought an action against Gilbert the Thatcher of Boxted for breach of covenant, he distrained Gilbert by seizing his trade tools, and then insisted on further distraint being made. In 1312 he had an action against Philip de la Rokele for debt, and a cross action was brought by Philip. William de Plumsted distrained Philip "by the great distraint," and seized a woollen cloth of russet, but William being still unsatisfied, further distraints were ordered. He was never Bailiff and he disappears from the Records in 1312. Presumably he came from or was associated with Plumstead in Kent, a very ancient place, which had an Augustinian Abbey said to date from Saxon times. Was William a cleric, who had become, as clerics did in those days, a lawyer ?

ANOTHER PARLIAMENTARIAN.

JOHN DE RATLESDEN.—M.P. in seventeen parliaments of Edward III., between April 24, 1328 and April 23, 1341. He seems to have been a lawyer. He acted for the Abbot of St. John in Dec. 1329, and the record shows that the Abbot succeeded in this litigation. John de Ratlesden was one of the witnesses to the "deed of Release." He had a "grove" at Mile End, the northern suburb of Colchester (p. 118). He was constantly a pledge for litigants and for newly admitted burgesses. He gives the impression of being a most "respectable" personage, but he was never Bailiff—perhaps because he was so busy as M.P., and as a lawyer in the Courts. He died in the First Pestilence, 1348-9.

"WILLIAM OF THE TAILORING SHOP."

WILLIAM DE SARTRIA (or DE SARCINO [?de Sartrino], de Sartere, etc.). A puzzling personage. His name means "William of the tailoring shop," and as on April 17, 1312, the Council granted him the tenancy of "a stall newly constructed for sale of woollen cloth," at a rent of 4s. a year, he was probably in the clothing trade. Yet he seems to have been a sort of clerk of the court, and if not actually a man of law he was frequently acting on behalf litigants as their attorney. For instance in the curious case which William the Chaplain brought against Roger Carter, Jan. 9, 1311, William de Sartria, though he originally stood as surety for the Chaplain, was afterwards representing Roger the Carter. In fact he is called "attorney of Roger Carter" (p. 17). At the same court it is stated that Alexander de Cobet puts in his place "William de Sarcino" (the same man) against John Oldeman. He again acted for Roger Carter, on April 21, 1311. In the St. John's Cartulary "de Sartrino" is a frequent cognomen or surname—see Walter, Elyas and Stephen all described on p. 282 as "famulis de Sartrino" (servants of the tailoring shop) and constantly reappearing as Walter de Sartrino, Elyas de Sartrino, and Stephen de Sartrino. There are also Geoffrey de Sartrino (p. 330) and others of similar name, evidently tailors in the tailoring shop of the Abbey.

On Oct. 6, 1310 (see page 3) Henry Seffar and William de Sarcino were jointly and severally appointed "farmers" of the town tolls and agreed to pay £35 for the year. On Dec. 17, 1311, Henry Seffar was appointed singly to the office of "farmer" and "William de Sartria" was one of his sureties. At this time William de Sartria was junior Bailiff. He was a leading member of the Council, see the lists of May 3, 1311, and July 14, 1311. On March 19, 1330, he is mentioned as executor of the will of John Maymund. This is his last appearance in the extant Court Rolls. From the *Oath Book* (pp. 202 and 211) we learn that he owned for a time three shops and a curtilage in East Street, beyond East Bridge, paying the Commonalty 6d. a year for them, this payment being apparently a tax on the property for the improvement of East Bridge. He sold this property to William at Sloo of Ardleigh, whose will was proved May 12, 1337 (see p. 158). Sartry and Sartryn were both in use in the 15th century as English words meaning a tailor's workshop.

INNKEEPER AND M.P.

MATTHEW LE VERRER (otherwise MATTHEW GLAZIER, MATTHEUS VITRIARIUS, and MATTHEUS FIL ROBERTI).—M.P. (with Ralph Ode) 8 Edw. III., Feb. 21, 1334 (York); 12 Edw. III., Feb. 3, 1338 (Westminster). He was Bailiff 1313, 1332, 1337, 1349, 1351. A member of the Council in 1310-11. There seems no doubt of his identity with "Matthew the son of Robert" (see page 228). Robert le Verrer (his father ?) is said to have been Bailiff in 1298, but this is not certain. Matthew Verrer does not seem to have been a glazier, though his father may have been. Matthew kept a tavern in the Market Place. He seems to have been a good fellow. In Nov. 1310, he stood as a pledge for Walter the Taverner, charged with buying 59 gallons of stinking wine, "to the scandal of the town," but acquitted of that enormity. He often stood bail for other persons, sometimes apparently out of good fellowship. Matthew Verrer's wife did the brewing—like the other Colchester wives. She was presented and fined at the Lawhundred of Oct. 4, 1311, for selling a gallon of beer for a penny, but whether this was too much or too little is not clear. The other women seem to have been fined at the same court for selling at 2d., which was no doubt too much. Matthew seems to have been related to John Loton (whose will and that of his widow, Alice, were proved, 1351-2). John Loton and Matthew Verrer were fined 2s. each Oct. 4, 1311, for selling [wine] with unsealed measures, namely "Choppes,"—which probably means "cups." On April 17, 1312, he was fined again, with five other vintners, for "selling for fivepence." Matthew Verrer's tenement was in St. Runwald's parish and was hired of the wealthy John of Colchester (afterwards parson of Tendring). The rent must have been considerable, for 12s. a year out of it was allocated by John of Colchester as part of the endowment of St. Helen's Chapel (Jan. 17, 1322). John Clerk, a weaver, had a tenement near by. Matthew Verrer died about 1358, and his will was proved 1358-9. His wife's name was Agnes (p. 134). His son John married Joan, daughter of John the Dyer, one of the wealthiest inhabitants of the town, whose will was proved March 5, 1330.

A PROMINENT BURGESS.

WARIN ATTE WELLE (or "DE WELLE"; also "DE FONTE).—M.P. in four Parliaments, namely 2 and 3 Edw. III., Oct. 16, 1328 (Salisbury); and Feb. 9, 1329 (Westminster); 11 Edw. III., Jan. 13, 1337 (York) and Mar. 3, 1337 (Westminster); 13 Edw. III., Jan. 20, 1340 (Westminster); 14 Edw. III., March 29, 1340 (Westminster). He was Bailiff in 1339. A very prominent member of the Council; continually acting as a "pledge" for litigants and others. He was himself in litigation (as was Adam atte Welle) in 1337 with Saer the Lorimer, apparently a maker of harness, saddles, bits, etc., who was being sued by other people for debt at this time. Saher came to terms with Warin atte Welle June 23, 1337. Warin atte Welle's wife was fined for selling beer against the assize, on Oct. 4, 1333, again in Jan. 1331, and in May 1334, and at other courts 1345, etc.

A Wealthy Widow.

Warin atte Welle lived in the Market Place, that is in High Street probably on the north side near the site of the present George Hotel. On May 22, 1346, he made fine for a lease under the Common Seal of "his stall opposite his tenement in the market place." Warin's wife is called "Juliana Gray." She died in the First Pestilence (1348) and by her will bequeathed to her husband for his life-time, 6 acres of land called Sabares Land, in the field called Munkedoune, and other parcels of land in the suburbs of Colchester. (*Red Paper Book*, p. 69.) In the Court Roll her will is mentioned as that of "Juliana Gray." Apparently she was widow of William Gray, a member of the Council in 1311. William Gray was alive on Nov. 27, 1329. Warin atte Welle must have married the widow between 1330 and 1333. As early as 1312 she seems to have had independent means (see June 26, 1312). She appeared in the list of offending beer-sellers as wife of William Gray on Oct. 4, 1311, and on Jan. 15, 1330, as "Juliana Gray." (The Rolls from 1312 to 1329 are lost.) She was one of the eleven greater offenders on Jan. 15, 1330, who had sold beer at the exorbitant price of 2d. per gallon. In Oct. 1329 "Juliana Gray" was further presented, with three men vintners, for "selling wine against the assize." She must have kept one of the leading taverns in the town, I think. She was not a young woman when Warin atte Welle married her, and probably she was well-to-do.

A Man of Property.

Warin atte Welle was fond of possessions. In 1331-2 he secured a lease of a strip of land 9ft. by 6ft. on the South side of St. Runwald's church, which then stood in the middle of High Street. In 1348-9 he got hold of another piece (30ft. by about 20ft.) near North Bridge. He also had a plot of land for which he paid the Council 4d. a year, "near St. Helen's Well." Was it on account of this that he was called "Warin atte Welle"? It is not easy to locate St. Helen's Well though it is frequently mentioned and was probably near or in High Street—perhaps between the street and St. Helen's Chapel. Warin atte Welle was named as an executor in the will of Peter de Aston—see litigation Jan. 9, 1341. Warin left the administration to Joan—Peter's widow, a lady of doubtful reputation (see Peter de Aston). With all the records of his doings there is nothing to show what his trade was. He once, if not oftener, overloaded the common. This and the fact of his action against Saer the Lorimer may suggest that he dealt in leather, but this is mere conjecture. Warin atte Welle apparently only survived his wife a few months. He died in the time of the First Pestilence, apparently in 1349 (*Red Paper Book*, p. 57).

8 TIMES M.P., & 15 TIMES BAILIFF.

WARIN FIL. WILLELMI.—M.P. 7 Edw. II., Sept. 23, 1313 (Westminster); 8 Edw. II., Jan. 20, 1315 (Westminster); 12 Edw. II., May 6, 1319 (York); (probably) 14 Edw. II., Oct. 6, 1320 (Westminster); 15 Edw. II., May 2, 1322 (York); 17 Edw. II., Jan. 20, 1324 and Feb. 23, 1324 (Westminster); 20 Edw. II., Dec. 14, 1326 and Jan. 7, 1327 (Westminster); 6 Edw. III., March 16, 1332 (Westminster). He was Bailiff 1302, 1310, 1312, 1315, 1316, 1318, 1323, 1324, 1325, 1329, 1330, 1331, 1332, 1333, 1334. This notable personage was probably son of William of Colchester, otherwise William the Clerk (q.v.), described March 13, 1312, as "clerk" (p. 69). There can be little doubt that Warin fil. William is identical with "Warin Code," returned on the Rolls of Parliament as one of the members for Colchester, Oct. 6, 1320. But it must not be presumed that "Code" was his surname and his father's. "Code" is more probably a transcriber's mistake for "Colec," meaning "of Colchester." In the *Red Paper Book*, fo. 223 (page 74 of Printed Version) is an entry (wrongly cited by Harrod as from *Red Parchment Book*) referring to an ordinance made as to the price of wine in 10th Edward I. (1281) in the time of "..... fil. William and Adam de Castro." Mr. Rickword in his valuable list, *Bailiffs and Mayors*, has entered this as "(Warin) fil. William," but it seems unlikely that this was so (unless there were two men so named) for "Warin fil. William" is recorded to have died about 1335-6—fifty-six years later—his will being proved in that year. His widow, Alice, died in 1348. His parentage is set forth Feb. 13, 1311 (p. 21)—"Warin filius Willelmi, son of William de Colecestria."

A Friend of Joseph Elyanore.

Warin seems to have been much associated with Joseph Elianore, as Bailiff and in other ways. He possessed many properties in Colchester and had a tenement in the market place (High Street) (and was owner of a shop there (June 23, 1337). On Feb. 28, 1346, mention is made of a tenement in Culver Lane, abutting on "the late Warin fil. William's curtilage." This may denote that Warin fil. William's tenement in High Street was on the South side. He also had land at "Schrebbefield" (Shrub End) (*Oath Book*, p. 213). Adam Fitz Warin of Colchester, otherwise Adam Waryn (Bailiff in 1358*), who died in 1380-1, may have been Warin Fitz William's son. It is probable that many other Warins who are mentioned were his descendants. "John Waryn, sen.," Bailiff 1344-5, who had a house next to Scheregate, was probably another son, for in 1348-9 the will was proved of "John fil. Warin fil. William," and at the same court (this was the year of Pestilence) occur the wills of Sarah Waryn, Thos. Waryn, Joan relict of Thomas Waryn, and Alice "relict of Warin fil. William"—all mentioned together, and all evidently of the same family. (*Oath Book*, p. 57.)

*The entry in Mr. Rickword's *Bailiffs and Mayors* under 1358: "Adam Warin and Richard Dyer" is probably an accidental confusion with 1358.

CORRIGENDA.

Page 1, line 30, for Pegou *read* Pegon.
,, 2, line 8 *should read*: "Enquiry ordered for John Oldeman, no jury being in attendance."
,, 3, last line but two, for John Oldmans, *read* Joan Oldmanes.
,, 4, line 7, *for* John le Halsted, *read* John de Halsted.
,, 8, after "MONDAY" *insert* "[Nov. 3, 1310.]"
,, 10 (Hundred of Nov. 3, 1310)—second in list of Essoins, *for* Martyn *read* Marcyon.
,, 11, line 31, *for* Sarcina *read* Sare.
,, 11, line 40, *for* Sarcina *read* Sarcino.
,, 12, line 25, *for* Tache *read* Toche.
,, 13, last line but one, *for* Neel read Beel.
,, 14, line 19, *read* "Pardounsoneday" [Pardon Sunday, *i.e.*, Sunday after St. Denys Day, Oct. 9.]
,, 15, line 6, *for* Plunst[ed] *read* Plumst[ed].
,, 15, line 22, *for* SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS [27th DEC.], *read* MONDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS [28TH DEC.]
,, 17, line 6, *for* Carpenter *read* Carter.
,, 17, line 21, *for* Nichelas *read* Nicholas.
,, 19, line 41, *for* Simon le Donylonde *read* Simon de Donylonde.
,, 21, second "Essoign," for Henry Demy *read* Henry Denny.
,, 23, after "*Membrane 7 verso*" *insert* **hundred.**
,, 23, last line but one, *for* Keleshall *read* Keleshull.
,, 25, line 32, *for* Onde *read* Oude.
,, 26, line 6, *for* Keleshell *read* Keleshull.
,, 28, line 13, *for* Onde *read* Oude.
,, 29, line 30, *for* Laste *read* Lyste.
,, 29, line 32, *for* Keleshalle *read* Keleshulle.
,, 30, line 7, *for* William *read* Philip.
,, 38, line 18, *for* Joan *read* Juliana.
,, 40, line 27, *for* son of Jordan Olyver *read* daughter of Jordan Olyver.
,, 40, line 29. Insert here:
Ordered to attach John Tongeberye by his body, etc. **Pleas, Colchester,** TUESDAY [JUNE 22] BEFORE THE FEAST OF ST. JOHN BAPTIST, FIRST HOUR.
,, 43, line 38, *for* Kyng *read* King.
,, 47, under "Forestallings," third name, *for* Roger Daveys, *read* Roger Daneys.
,, 52, line 17, *for* Prmeth *read* Primeth.
,, 60, line 12, *for* Isaac Elys *read* Is[abella ?] Elys.
,, 62, last line but one, *for* halicium *read* palicium.
,, 64, line, 3, *for* Lindon *read* London.
,, 67, line 16, *after* Elyas and "Richard de Legra" *add* "clerks."
,, 68. "Hundred." The date should be "14th March" (not 13th).
,, 70, last line but three, *for* Gray *read* Grymbaud.
,, 72, last line but nine, *for* Batyn Textor, *read* Baysilia Textor.
,, 74, line 28, *for* la Barbour *read* le Barbour.
,, 78, line 1, *for* Hauck, *read* Hauck.
,, 78, line 26, *for* Augustina *read* Agnes.
,, 79, line 3, *for* Lindon *read* London.
,, 80, line 32, *for* Suspes *read* Snapes.
,, 86, line 27, *for* Berestal *read* Berestak.
,, 89, lines 14, 15, 16, *for* le South *read* be South; line 17, omit Richard before Richard le Dyere.
,, 91, after line 20, *add* (before Richard de Mounteny) Walter le Taverner.
,, 91, line 36, *for* de le More, *read* de la More.
,, 96, in "Essoins" (No. 7) *read* "Alice que fuit ux[or] Joh. le Spenser, by John Davy."
,, 96, last line but three, *for* Matin *read* Martin.
,, 98, line 2, *for* her rails *read* his rails.
,, 99, line 25, *for* 1329 *read* 1330.
,, 106, lines 10 & 11 *for* Ralph de Chaundeler *read* Ralph le Chaundeler.
,, 109, line 17, *for* Joan his sister, *read* Joan her sister.
,, 113, line 24, *for* an was enquiry *read* an enquiry was.
Page 114, line 24, *for* John de Rokele *read* John de la Rokele.
,, 117, line 15, *for* Lausele *read* Lansele.
,, 117, line 17, *for* Philip Pecok *read* Philippa Pecok.
,, 119, line 19, *for* de Chapman *read* le Chapman.
,, 121, line 5, *for* Jacob de Bures *read* James de Bures.
,, 124, last line but 4, *for* Lausele *read* Lansele.
,, 128, last line but one, *for* Doulier *read* Doubere.
,, 131, line 9, *for* John Wande *read* John Baude (or Bande).
,, 136, line 3, *for* John Colles *read* Juliana Colles.
,, 143, last line, *for* le Sheppester *read* la Sheppester.
,, 144, line 22, *for* de Arwesmyth *read* le Arwesmyth.
,, 147, line 19, *for* John Elyanore *read* Joseph Elyanore.
,, 147, last line *for* Samuel Parker *read* Simon Parker.
,, 148, line 23, *for* Sayce *read* Sayer.
,, 150, line 17, *for* John le Elwer *read* John le Glouer [Glover].
,, 150, line 19, *for* Turnepeny *read* Turnepany; *for* Hayremaker *read* Heyremaker.
,, 156, line 35, *for* Robert de Wendouere *read* Ralph de Wendouere.
,, 164, line 17, *for* Rob. le Clark *read* Robert le Clerk de Colecestr."
,, 167, line 2, for Ric. de Cesford *read* Ric. de Cosford.
,, 171, line 28, *for* Warm *read* Warin.
,, 172, line 20 *for* Pegou *read* Pegon.
,, 175, last line but one, *for* de Combere *read* le Combere.
,, 176, line 27 *should read*: [of] "which he gave 20s. to the Clerks (de quibus dedit clericis xxs.)," etc.
,, 178, last line but six, *after* "James" *add* "Goodrich."
,, 180, line 14, *for* Ralph and Agnes *read* Richard and Agnes.
,, 181, line 2, *for* Brighte *read* Wrighte.
,, 181, last line but four, *for* John Latoner *read* Joan la Latoner.
,, 182, line 23, *for* Joan le Latoner *read* Joan la Latoner.
,, 185, line 12, *for* John la Latoner *read* Joan la Latoner; and *for* "his" *read* "her."
,, 192, last line but one, *for* Walter Barcoun *read* William Bacoun.
,, 193, line 31 (2nd column) *omit* "William Cook's wife."
,, 195, lines 11 and 12, *for* "to increase his house. In mercy," *read* "to increase her house, such encroachment being 20 ft. in length by 1 ft. in width. Fine 6d. (cancelled)."
,, 209, line 9, *for* Edw. Skynner's *read* Edmund Skynner's.
,, 215, last line but four, *for* 1350 *read* 1351; (and in heading at corner of page *read* 1346-1351).
,, 216, last line but four, for Robt. Granger *read* John Granger; and in next line *for* Levote *read* Leoute. (Heading of this page and 217 should be 1351).
,, 217, line 4, *for* J. Kelyngham *read* Ikelyngham.
,, 217, line 21, *for* Roger Moneroun *read* Rose Moueroun.
,, 218, line 15, *for* Moneroun *read* Moueroun.
,, 218, line 29, *for* Scherewill *read* Schereman; *for* Bathe *read* Hache.
,, 218. *Add to Heading*: Roll 9, **Lawe hundred** [MONDAY OCTOBER 4, 1351"].
,, 221, line 18, *for* Ryckes *read* Ryckes.
,, 225, line 21, *for* John Heward *read* Joan Heward.
,, 225, line 33, *for* Soller *read* Soler; *for* Joan *read* John.
,, 231, last line but eight, *for* John Hereward *read* Joan Hereward.
,, 232, line 14, *id.*
,, 236, line 13, *for* Simon Palfreyman *read* John Palfreyman.
,, 239, heading, for THOMAS ATTE HACHE *read* JOHN ATTE HACHE.
,, 239, line 12, *for* Joan Arwesmyht *read* John Arwesmyht.

COLCHESTER

Court Roll 4 & 5 EDWARD II. [1310-1311].

(*Imperfect at the beginning.*)

Membrane 1.

WARIN FIL. WILLELMI and SAYHERUS DONYLOND being Bailiffs of Colchester that same year [1310].

William Pruet complains of Roger Tossoun on a plea of debt, finding pledges Roger Tinctor [Dyer] and Adam Scot. The said Roger is distrained for not replying to same, etc., and was attached to reply to the same, William Clericus and William de Leycestre being pledges.

Joan de Hoberton complains of Peter Faber and Christina his wife on a plea of trespass, finding pledges Elias fil. Johannis and Adam de Castro, the said Peter and Christina finding pledges, viz., Simon Serviens and Robert Clericus.

Richard ate Parrok de Salcote complains of Adam Otes on plea of debt, finding pledges William Clericus and Richard Pegon.

John le Wolef complains of Hugh de Stowe on plea of debt, finding pledges Simon fil. Bartholomei and John ate Leye. It is presented that the said Hugh be attached against the next Hundred.

Law Hundred of Colchester

ON MONDAY AFTER THE FEAST OF ST. MICHAEL IN THE 4TH YEAR OF THE KING'S REIGN [1310].

Edward ate Pette, concerning common, by William Pruet.

John de Geywod, concerning common, by Andrew Clericus.

John de la Forde, concerning common, by Roger Tinctor [Dyer].

Ernald de Mounteny, attorney of the Abbot of St. Osyth, concerning common, by Peter le Wylde.

Walter Fullo against William de Leycestre, on plea of trespass, by John Gade. ii*ob.*

John fil. Durantis Pistoris [Baker] against Ellen Gerdlere, on plea of trespass, by Richard Clericus. iii*ob.*

John Aunterous against John Somer, on plea of trespass, by William de Leycestre. iii*ob.*

James Gest against Joseph Elyanor, on plea of trespass, by John Bakkertel. iii*ob.*

Robert le Longe against Roger Alfred, on plea of debt, by Henry Denny. iii*ob.*

Peter de Aseton, concerning common, by Richard Pegou.

The same Roger against the same, by William Clericus.

William Bret against William Hawe, on plea of debt, by John Edward. ii*ob.*

Josep Elyanore, attorney of William Capellanus de Heth, against Hugh de Stowe, on a plea of detention of goods, etc., by Robert Turerebatyn. i*ob.*

Alice, wife of John de Staneweya, concerning common, by Henry Suttere [? Guttere].

Adam de Leycestre, for the same, by Robert Tinctor [Dyer].

Peter Faber and Christina his wife, against Joan de Holton, on plea of trespass, by Stephen Marcyan. i*ob.*

Master John de Colecestre, concerning common, by William de Sartere.

John Aylet, for the same, by John Lotun.

William de Plumsted, for same, by Richard de Colun.

Josep Elyanor, attorney of William Capellanus, de la Heth, charges Hugh de Stowe for detaining a tunic. Decided that the said William recover his tunic (price 5*s.*) and 2*sh.* for his damages; the said Hugh being in mercy.

Robert le Longe for licence to agree with Roger Alfrede, in mercy: Pledges, Alexander Tabernarius and the aforesaid Roger.

Robert Attegate to reply to John Bollex on plea of trespass, against the next hundred.

Christina de Neylond, charged with using an unjust measure against the liberty, etc. The measure forfeited, and she, in mercy, half a mark.

Afterwards at the instance of Dom. John de Bretoun she is excused the fine.

Hugh de Stowe distrained to reply to John le Wolf.

An enquiry for John Oldeman in respect of his failure to serve on jury.

William Pruet brings charge against Roger Tesun on plea of debt. Roger distrained by a horse, val. 10*sh*. They have a day at next hundred.

Adam Otes to come to an agreement with Richard ate Parroks. Fined 3*d*. Pledge, Richard Pegon.

William Pykyng, though summoned, did not come to Lawehundred. Fined 3*d*.

John Scrotyn, for the same. Fine, 3*d*. Condoned.

Martin Marshal of Waleton became a Burgess of Colchester [intravit in burgagium] and took an oath to faithfully keep the township harmless from damages, etc., and finds sureties, Elyas fil. Johannis, William de Sartera, Josep Elyanor and Roger Tinctor [Dyer]. Fined 2*sh*.

Verdict of the Jury at Laghewehundred of Colchester, that a certain John, dwelling with the Abbot of St. John's, drew blood from Alice Kyngges and otherwise illtreated her. Fined 6*d*.

Also they say that Alice Bompe took corn into her house from foreign merchants, and sold it as the corn of Burgesses, to the avoidance of toll to the King. Fined 6*d*.

Also that the same Alice is guilty of forestalling in poultry, cheese, eggs, etc. Fined 6*d*.

Also that Edmund Pelliparius [skinner] caused a ditch to be dug in the same ward [Estward] near Hogate to the nuisance of persons passing. Fined 6*d*. and ordered to repair it.

Also that Nicholas, vicar of Ardlye, entered the house of David . . . and broke a gate, etc. Fined 40*d*.

Also that Walter le Marler in Suthward entered the house of William Fullo and assaulted and illtreated Joan his daughter, who raised hue and cry on the said Walter. Fined 12*d*.

Henry Belch, William Springold, William Wyndent, Richard Ladde, for not attending Lawehundred. Fined.

Membrane 1. *verso.*

Names of Persons who failed to do suit at Lagwehundred.

The Abbot of St. John's.
The Abbot of St. Edmund.
The Prior of St. Cross.
Dom Robert fil. Walteri.
The Tenants of the late Robert de Horkele.
John atte Cherche.
William de Deen.
Hubert Bosse.
Adam Pecok.
Benedictus de Cokef'
John Springold.
Richard Clericus sancti Petri.
Hubert Bosse.
Saherus le Parmenter.
Master Richard de Newport.
Elemosin[arius] [The Almoner] of St. John's.
Margery de Langham.
John de Berwholt, Tailor.
John de Stratton, for the tenement "Dowyn."

William de la Marche.
William Bret.
John de Frenyngham.
Roger Alfred.
Roger de Heuegham.
Richard de Bonigton.
Edward atte Pette.
Robert Oliver.
The wife of John de Terlyng.
John de Belhous.
James de Bures.
Roger de Camera.

Tolls.

The Town of Colchester on the same day leased to Henry Sefar and William de Sarcino jointly and severally, the tolls of Colchester for one year from Michaelmas, 4 Edw. II., paying to the Commonalty for the same £35, for which they found pledges, Ralph Sefare, Alexander Taverner, William Gray, Richard le Barbour, John Edward, Adam de Castro, Richard Noreys, John Lotun, Richard de Colne, William Profale, John de Tendr[ing] and John atte Leye, who bound themselves accordingly.

They say also that William Bret felled a tree [or trees] in front of his house belonging to the Commonalty in the street and the King's way, for which he was attached to reply at the next Hundred.

That John Lamb struck Robert Pynchoun opposite the said John's house, whereon the said Robert raised hue and cry on him justly. Therefore he is fined 6*d*.

That Richard Dodel raised hue and cry on "Domperis," on Wednesday after the Feast of Exaltation of Holy Cross last past, unjustly, and was fined 3*d*.

That Robert "manupastus" [*sc.* servant] of Nicholas le Gros, came by night in the meadow of John Edward and carried away two loads of hay with consent of the said Nicholas, and put it in a certain place near the marsh of the said Nicholas. Afterwards the said John Edward came and carried back half of the said hay and the Nicholas carried the rest to his own house. Therefore the said Nicholas and Richard were charged to attend the next Hundred, etc.

That John Goldyng, who formerly abjured the town, returned within the liberty and was . . . . . in a certain rent of John de la Forde near North Gate.

That Walter Seler bought, at the request of Walter the Taverner, 59 gallons of sour wine from Amice, wife of John Orfamye, and carried it by night to the tavern of John Lotoun and put in a certain tun and mixed it with other wine in another cask, so that the said John Lotoun lost the said tun, to the loss and scandal of the whole town, etc. Charged to appear on Friday next.

That a certain "Petit Jon" was in the habit of carrying off hay in the autumn within the liberty and was a night vagrant. Charged to appear at the next Hundred.

That all the Taverners and Brewers have sold contrary to the assize.

That the wife of John Raven sold beer with a measure not yet sealed. Fined 6*d*.

That Felicia de Grenstona forestalled in the matter of corn and sold the same again. Fined 6*d*.

That Thomas Cook is a forestaller in geese, capons, hens and the like, and usually offends thus before the hour, etc. Fined 12*d*.

That similar offenders, who are fined in various sums, are:

John Ballok	Roger Deneys
John Oldeman	Marjery Oldmanes
Roger le Somenour	Walter Skyp
John Wynterflod	John Oldmans
Amable la Hukkester	Joan de Holtone
Is[abel] de Colne	Alice Hoppe de Heth.

That John Perfete forestalls in herrings and fish.
Philip Le Pedder does the same.
Richold Ben „ „
Margery La Mazones „ „ in dairy produce, chickens, etc.
Alice Fayr „ „
That Agnes de Ardleye
the wife of John le Halsted
Alice la Gegges
Dyonisia de Codenham
} brew against the Assize.
That Hugh Baggard forestalls.
That John Bollex does the same.

Pleas at Colchester

ON MONDAY AFTER THE FEAST OF ST. DENIS [9TH OCT.] IN THE ABOVESAID YEAR.

John atte Vanne complains of Alan Story that, whereas the aforesaid John, on Wednesday after the Nat. of the B.V. Mary [8th Sept.] last past, in the peace of the King, Bailiffs, etc., at the house of Isabella ate Wyk, at La Eldeheth, in the suburb of Colchester, came up with violence and arms against the peace and assaulted the said John with a stick, struck him with his fist, wounded and illtreated him, drawing blood, and inflicted other enormities on him, to the damage of the said John of 20*sh.*, and to this produces suit. The said Alan defends, and denies the same, asking for an enquiry. Both are bound over to the next Hundred.

Ralph Ode complains of Edmund Grymbaud and Agnes his wife on plea of debt, finding pledges, viz., Roger Mercator and John Wolef. Defendants bound over to the next Hundred.

The same Edmund and Agnes also find pledges, viz., Geoffrey le Specer and John le Catyler.

Osbert Tannator complains of Thomas de Hadleye on plea of trespass, finding pledges John Asekyn and John Tannator. The said Thomas also finds pledges Richard Pegon and Thomas Bysmith.

Walter Carectarius [carter] and Henry Sefare complain of Simon Prionech on plea of trespass, finding pledges Richard . . . and William de Sarcino. The defendant was charged to appear at the next Court.

. . . [Peter Vynger] and Henry ate Stone of Gynge ad Petram complain of John Virly (by John Perfete) on plea of trespass, and find pledges Ralph Ode and William de Sarcino. Bound over to next court.

. . . lok [John Ballok] complains of William Pruet on plea of debt, finding pledges Richard Pegon and John . . . , the defendant also finding pledges Roger Tinctor [Dyer] and Richard Pegon.

. . . Colynges complains of Osbert Speller on plea of debt, finding pledges Peter . . . and Richard Pegon. The said Osbert was attached by bail valued at 30*d.*, viz., an overtunic of russet colour.

Peter Vynger and Henry ate Stone of Gynge ad Petram put in their place Robert Oude and William de Sarcino, . . . John Perfete and John Virly, on plea of trespass.

Membrane 2. recto.

Pleas at Colchester

ON WEDNESDAY NEXT AFTER THE FEAST OF ST. DENNIS IN THE 4TH YEAR OF THE REIGN OF KING EDWARD I. (1310).

John Ballok for licence to agree with William Pruet, in mercy, iii*d.*

A day given for case between Walter Carter, Henry Sefar, plaintiffs, and Simon Premych, defendant, in a plea of trespass. Postponed till next Hundred, at request of the parties.

Peter Funger and Henry ate Stone complain of John Perfete and John Verly, servant of the said John Perfote, that as they were carrying 300 fresh herring (value 9*sh.* 6*d.*) the said John and John seized the same and refusing to pay the price they were brought into Colchester market. While the dispute was in progress the fish were spoilt to the loss of half a mark. Plaintiffs find pledges Ralph Ode and William de Sarcino. The case is ultimately sent to trial before a jury, as the matter was against the Bailiffs "ex officio," and the defendants find pledges William Nichodemus and others.

Pleas

ON SATURDAY, THE VIGIL OF ST. LUKE [17TH OCTOBER].

An enquiry held for Robert Vyrly by Thomas Cotun, John Ballok, John Wynterflod, Peter W . . . and other jurors, who say that he is not guilty of the charge against him, and he is acquitted, but is fined 6*d.* for forestalling.

John Perfete came "cum lege sua" as he pledged it against the Bailiffs, and completing the same, is acquitted.

William le Kyng, baker, acknowledges that he is bound to John Garlaund of Aseton in 11*sh.* 5½*d.* for 10 bushels of corn bought of the said John, payable to the latter on the Feast of All Saints following, under penalty of 40*d.* to be paid as a subsidy for the East Bridge, Colchester.

Thomas de Stonhous acknowledges that he is bound to William de Dunmawe in 13*sh.* for a knife [or knives] bought from him. It was ordered to be levied on his goods, but by assent of the parties an agreement was come to in presence of Robert de Dallyngg, of St. Edmund's, John ate Cros, cutlers, and — Thurg[art]on, taverner, the said Thomas delivering to the said William willingly a knife valued at 11*sh.* and a fur of white lambswool, value 2*sh.*, the same William paying 12*d.* to the commonalty by way of fine.

Adam Le Rat has a day for forestalling of fish—to the next Hundred.

Sarra de Peldon complains of John Oldeman on a plea of trespass, finding pledges W. Nychodemus and Richard Peg . ., and the said John finds pledges John Balloc and Adam Scot. She has a day at the next Hundred.

Robert Pynchun complains of John Lamb and Margery his wife, and pledges himself to prosecute as he is a poor man, the said John and Margery finding pledges John Raven and Symon [his] servant.

Alan Stori for licence of agreement with John Ateswenne is in mercy (6*d.*) Pledges, Adam ate Cliwe and John Bos.

Henry Brid complains of Alan Stori that he threatens his life and limb and worldly honour, on which he brings forward John Godfelawe and William his son, who say on their oath that Alan threatened to take his [life] if he should meet him anywhere. The said Alan finds sureties to keep the peace, viz.: Adam ate Clyue, John Dunnyng, Adam Godwyne and John Simund.

Henry Brid complains of Alan Story on plea of covenant and finds pledges Richard Pegon and John Godfelawe.

The said Alan similarly finds pledges to answer the charge, viz.: Adam ate Clyue and Adam Godfelawe, and they have a day at the next hundred.

Henry Brid names as his attorney William de Sarcino, and Alan Story appoints Ralph Oude.

John Edward complains of Nicholas le Gros on a plea of detention of chattels, finding pledges for the prosecution, viz.: William Nichodemus and Simon Serviens. The said Nicholas charged to answer, finds pledges, Simon the Weaver (Textor) and Peter Baker.

Agnes la Hukkester complains of John Wynterflod and Joan his wife on plea of trespass, and vouches her word as she is a poor woman.

The said John was charged to answer the same, finding pledges, viz.: Simon Serviens and Richard Pegon.

The said John was distrained by three basons (?) [bacinos] price 3*sh.*, and is not willing to justify himself by that. It is ordered to distrain and take more until, etc., against the next Hundred.

Hundred of Colchester

Monday next after the Feast of St. Luke [18th Oct.].

Edmund Grymbaud against Ralph Oude for debt.
Thomas de Hadleye, tanner, against Osbert Tanner for trespass.
Walter Fuller against William de Leycestre for trespass.
Peter Faber [Smith *or* Wright] against John de Holton for trespass.

Essoigns.

William Bret against William Huwe for debt.
John Edward against Nicholas Le Gros for detention of cattle.
John Aventrous against John Somer for trespass.
John Lamb against Robert Pynchoun for trespass.
Margery, wife of the same, against the same for same.
Hugh de Stowe against John Wolef for debt.
Henry ate Stone against John Perfete for trespass.
Josep Clerk against Robert Gest for trespass.
Ralph Oude against Agnes, wife of Edmund Grimbaud, for debt.

Simon Barbittonsor, for license to agree with Walter Carter and Henry . . .
William Naplef against Richard de Langelye for trespass.

Membrane 2. *verso.*

Joan de Holton against Christina, wife of Peter Faber, for trespass. The said Christina being summoned did not appear nor make excuse. It is ordered to produce her by her best pledge at next Court.

Nicholas Le Gros distrained by a peel [a baker's shovel], a washing vessel, and a baking vessel to answer the charge of John Edward for seizing and keeping his chattels, and will not justify himself by that. Therefore it is ordered to keep that and take more against the next Hundred.

Nicholas Campe complains of Walter Crake on plea of covenant, and finds pledges to prosecute, Richard Pegon and Adam Scot, and it is ordered to attach the said Walter to answer the same against the next Hundred. The latter finds pledges, Rich. Pegon and Simon Serviens.

Peter Fynger, to recover against John Perfete and Robert Vyrly, his servant, damages to the value of half a mark. Afterwards the said John sought to be taxed by the Court, and for want of suitors is ordered to answer at next Court.

Henry le Frend complains of Peter Faber on a plea of trespass, finding pledges to prosecute, Ralph Oude and Adam de Castro. It is ordered to attach the said Peter to answer the said Henry against the next Hundred, the latter finding pledges William de Sarcino and Simon Serviens.

Osbert le Spellere acknowledges that he is bound to William de Celynges in 2*sh.* 7*d.*, which the latter demands from him. The same Osbert, in mercy, etc., *vid.*

Henry atte Stone, by his Essoign, claims default of Robert Vyrly, who being called did not appear nor his Essoign for him. Distraint ordered that he be at the next Court to hear judgment.

Richard de Langele is distrained by a courtepye (a short cloak) of russet, value 16*d.*, to answer William Naplef. The said Richard being unwilling to justify himself by this, it was ordered to hold the article, and as he has nothing else which he can be distrained upon, it is ordered that he in whose service he is be distrained for him, to have him at the next Court to answer the charge.

A day was given to John Duraunt and Ellen La Gerdlere on plea of trespass, at request of the parties to the next Hundred.

Sarra de Peldon complains of John Oldeman, that whereas the same Petronilla [a mistake for Sarra.—I.H.J.] on Saturday before Feast of St. Luke [17th Oct.] was in the King's peace in Colchester market, opposite the tenement of John Aylee, the said John Oldeman violently assaulted, struck and illtreated her, and threw the herrings which she had for sale in the mud, etc, to the damage of half a mark.

The said John pleads not guilty, and asks for enquiry, which is granted against the next Hundred.

The said Sarra puts in her place William de Sarcino in the said case.

Alan Story for licence to agree with Henry Brid is in mercy. Pledges, Ralph Oude and William de Sarcino.

Robert ate Gate to be distrained to answer John Bollex.

Roger Tessoun to be distrained to answer Will. Pruet.

The same William appoints as his attorney, Elyas fil. Joh. or Ralph Oude, against the said Roger on a plea of debt.

The demand against William le Bret respited till the next Hundred.

Geoffrey de Hadleye acknowledges to the Bailiffs that he is held to John le Wodeward of Langenho in 16*sh.* 4*d.*, of which he pays 6*sh.* 4*d.* same day. And it is ordered to levy on his goods 10*sh.*

Pleas. Colchester.

Friday next after the Feast of St. Luke in the aforesaid year.

Walter le Seler was charged by the Bailiffs and Commonalty for selling stinking [putridam] wine to Walter the Taverner at his request for mixing with good wine according to the indictment of the jury. The latter acknowledges that he bought the said wine, but says that it was good and sound, and offers to clear himself at law. He has a day, viz., the following Monday, when he was acquitted.

Michael Whiteman de Beumond came and showed to the Bailiffs of Colchester that a certain Henry le Holder was bound to him in 21*sh.* 5*d.* for oats sold and delivered to him. The said Henry admitting the debt, a distraint is made on 2 small pigs, one sow and 7 young pigs.

Stephen le Specer complains of Andrew le Somenour of trespass, and finds pledges to prosecute, Simon Toche and Adam Scot.

Pleas. Colchester.

Monday before Feast of SS. Simon and Jude [28th Oct.].

Stephen le Specer complains of Andrew le Somenour that when the former was on the Saturday after Feast of St. Luke [24th Oct.] at the tavern of Matthew le Verrer, in the market place, the said Andrew came up and assaulted him, hit him with his fist, tore his cloak, etc., to the loss of 20*sh.* Andrew pleading not guilty asks for an enquiry, which is thereupon ordered and a day given.

An enquiry made on the same day for breaking a hedge of Adam, rector of the church of St. Mary, and stealing the fruit of his orchard, and concerning a hue and cry raised outside "Heued" Gate, by John Wolef, Roger Wade, Ralph Wade and others, jurors, who say on their oath that William, son of Mariota, raised hue and cry on Ralph ate Gate, clerk, unjustly. Therefore the said William is in mercy.

. . . [Andrew le Somenour] complains of Stephen le Specer of trespass, and finds pledges to prosecute, Ralph Oude and . . . The said Stephen is attached to answer the charge.

An enquiry made on the same day for a hue and cry raised between Andrew le Somenour and Stephen le Spicer, by John Sacok, Richard de Waltham, Robert Baker, and other jurors, who say on their oath that Andrew raised hue and cry on Stephen le Spicer justly, "because he doubted that he wished to strike him." The said Stephen in mercy.

The said Stephen, plaintiff, puts in his place John his brother against the said Andrew, defendant, on a plea of trespass.

Roll of Courts 4th YEAR OF EDWARD II.

In the time of WARYN FIL. WILLELMI and SAYHER DE DONILAND, Bailiffs, Collectors.

Membrane 3.

Hundred of Colchester

ON MONDAY AFTER THE FEAST OF ALL SAINTS IN THE 4TH YEAR OF KING EDWARD.

Essoigns :—

Thomas de Hadleye, tanner, against Osbert Tanner on plea of trespass, by Richard Wodehewere.
John Lamb against Robert Pynchonn for trespass, by Will. Russell.
Peter Faber against Joan Holtun for trespass, by John Blakkertell.
Nicholas le Gros against John Edward for detention of chattels, by Joseph Clerk.
The same John against the same Nicholas, by Roger Tanner.
Hugh de Stowe against John Wolef for debt, by Stephen Martin.
Andrew le Somenour against Stephen le Spicer for trespass, by Simon Toche.
The same Andrew against the same (an enquiry ordered), by William de Sarcino.
Roger Tessoun against William Pruet for debt, by William de Leycestre.
Margery Wrenne against Robert Pynchonn for trespass, by Richard Clerk.
John Oldeman against Sarra de Peldon for trespass (an enquiry), by John Ballok.
Stephen le Specer against Andrew le Somenour for trespass, by Henry Sefare.
Henry ate Stone against J. Perffete and Robert Virly for trespass (whereupon law), by Ralph Oude.

John Lamb and Margery his wife for licence to agree with Agnes La Hukkestre. Fine, 6*d*.

William Huse opposes William le Bret on plea of debt, who, not appearing, nor his pledges, is in mercy, 6*d*.

Edmund Grymbaud and Agnes his wife for licence to agree with Ralph Oude, is in mercy, 6*d*. Pledges, Elyas fil. Johannis and Symon Serviens.

William Leycestre complains of Walter Fuller for illtreating a sow of the said William, which entered the said Walter's court. Damages claimed, half a mark. Walter says that he only

drove out the sow from his court with a little rod (virgula) and did no further damage to it. He is prepared to defend, and finds pledges Frebernus Serviens and John le Mercer. They have a day, etc.

Christina, wife of Peter Faber, appears against John de Holton, distrained to answer charge by the said Joan, and finds pledges Simon Serviens, Richard Pegon, William Nichodemus and Peter Faber. They have a day, etc.

Walter Crake appears to answer John Campe on plea of covenant. The latter not prosecuting, he and his pledges are in mercy, and Walter is acquitted. The said John's pledges, Adam Scot and Richard Pegon.

INQUISITION taken by Walter Wynchelot, Thomas Cook, John Ballok and others, jurors, who say that John Oldman received from Alexander, cook of the Abbot of St. John, a fish, namely, a cod, value 18*sh.*, and sold it to the profit of the said A. and J. as the fish of the said John, as he was first accused; and on this he was charged officially by the Bailiffs. Therefore the said John is summoned at the next Court of Hundred to hear judgment. He was then ordered to forfeit the fish or its value to the Commonalty, and for the said trespass against the custom of the Borough to be in mercy, and by the custom of the same Court is pardoned on paying 2*d.* fine.

John Somer complains of John Auenterous that he, on Sunday after Feast of Trans. of St. Thomas [7th July] sold to the latter certain meat from his stall in Colchester market place for 9*d.*, of which he paid only 3*d.*, detaining the 6*d.* The said John denies the charge and is prepared to defend, finding pledges Richard Clericus and William de Leycestria. A day given, etc.

A day was given between Henry le Frend and Peter Faber, on plea of trespass, at request of parties.

Again ordered to attach William Rumbald's body, etc., by Emmota de Horsted, until, etc.

Joseph Clerk complains of Robert Gest, that he with an axe and other tools cut and lopped off the branches of the said Joseph's trees, growing within his bounds in the suburb near the Tannery, and claims half a mark damage. The said Robert states that the said branches hung over his land and did damage to his fruit, and he therefore cut them off. He acknowledges the same and asks for a verdict. It is ordered that the said Joseph may recover the damages, half a mark, and the said Robert is in mercy, 6*d.*

Richard Blunt for licence to agree with Roger (Ralph) Wade, in mercy, (6*d.*). Pledges, Elyas fil. Johannis and Simon Serviens.

William Bret for cutting growing trees in the street (vicus), as was presented in Lagwehundred.

Again a day was given between Ellen la Gerdlere, plaintiff, and John Duraunt, defendant, to the next Hundred, at the request of the parties.

Walter le Taverner was charged with having purchased from Amice, wife of John Colyn, 59 gallons of stinking wine and mixed it with good and sound wine, to the loss of the people and the scandal of the town, and that he is accustomed to do the same.

The same Walter acknowledges the said purchase, but says that he bought it for good wine, and asks for an enquiry, which is ordered, he finding pledges Matthew de Verrer and Simon Serviens.

It is further presented that Richard de Langele be attached by his body to answer the charges of Wm. Naplef.

It is further presented to distrain Robert ate Gate to answer the charges of John Bulex for trespass.

Geoffrey de Hadleye and Ralph Sefare came before the Bailiffs and acknowledged that he is bound to John . . . de Ward in 10*sh.*, due on the Feast of St. Nicholas [6th Dec.] next coming . . .

Roll torn at this point.

Alexander the Taverner, John Lotoun, Richard Pleysote, Richard ate Gate and Roger Pulle, charged with mixing old wine with new wine, say that they made the mixture "post recepcionem vini anni instantis" (after receiving the wine of the present year), and on this submitted to an enquiry, except Alexander and Roger, who offer themselves by their law to clear themselves. They have a day to the next Hundred.

Membrane 3. *verso.*

Alice la Norisse complains of Gilbert Pyk on plea of trespass, finding pledges to prosecute, Thomas Hert and Edward ate Pette. It was presented to attach the said Gilbert to answer the charge: he finding pledges Robert Musse and Richard Pegon.

William Carter and Notekyna his wife complain of William fil. Ricardi Musse on plea of trespass, finding pledges Roger the Merchant and Roger le Somenur: the said William ordered to be attached.

John Wynter complains of William Faber, of Fordham, and Christina his wife, on plea of debt, finding pledges John ate Ponde and Richard Pegon. The said William distrained by one horse. It is presented to hold that and take more until, etc.

Pleas

Wednesday after Feast of All Saints in the said year.

Essoign :—

Gilbert le Pyk against Alice la Norisse on plea of trespass, by Edward at Pette.

William Faber, of Fordham, and Christina his wife, for licence to agree with John Wynter, in mercy, *6d.* Pledges, Richard Pegon and William Nichod[emus].

John Ekolf de Briche complains of Richard le Beel on plea of debt, finding pledges to prosecute, Peter Cristemasse and Richard Pegon.

The same Richard was attached to answer the same, finding pledges William Clerk and Hamo de Briche, clerk.

Elena Pectrix, servant of Henry Sefare, complains of John Scot, and finds pledges to prosecute, viz., Henry Sefare and Richard de Peldon. It is presented to distrain the said John to answer the charge.

Hundred of Colchester

Monday, Feast of St. Edmund, Archbp. [16th Nov.] in the same year.

Essoigns :

Gilbert le Pyk against Alice la Norisse for trespass, by Simon Grace.
Walter Fuller against Will. de Leycestre for trespass—wherefore law—by Stephen Martyn.
Hugh de Stowe against John Wolef for debt, by Rob. de Sultriz.
John Auentros against John Somer for debt—wherefore law—by Ralph Oude.
Andrew le Somenour against Stephen le Specee for trespass—wherefore an enquiry—by Simon Toche.
Again the same Andrew against the same Stephen for trespass, by Josep Clerk.
Roger Tessoun against William Prnet for debt, by Richard Clerk.
Nicholas le Gros against John Edward for detention of chattels, by William de Leycestre.
Stephen le Specer against Andrew le Somenur for trespass, by John Blakkertel.
J. Okolf [? Okot] against Richard Beel for debt, Gwydo Cuthand.
Richard le Beel against John Okolf (*sic*) for debt, by William Clerk.

A day was given between William Huke, plaintiff, and William Bret, defendant, for debt, to the next Hundred.

Richard de Langele for licence to agree with Will. Naplef, for trespass, in mercy. Pledges, Henry Denny and Henry Coutepard (?).

Elena Pectrix, maidservant to Henry Seffar, appears against John Scot for trespass. The same John will not defend, and is to be attached to answer the charge and to find pledges. Henry Sefare to keep the peace.

The same Elena comes in full Hundred and puts in her place Henry Sefare and Richard Clerk against the said John Scot for trespass.

Richard Carter and Alice his wife appear against William fil. Richard Musse on plea of trespass. The said William will not defend, and has nothing to distrain upon. The said Richard is ordered to be distrained to have the said William, his servant, against the next Hundred to answer to the same.

John Duraunt for licence to agree with Elena la Gerdlere, on plea of trespass, in mercy, by pledge of William de Leycestre.

John Oldeman for making agreement with Sarra de Peldon on plea of trespass, in mercy. Pledges, John Ballok and John Barbitonsor [Barber].

Osbert Tannator [Tanner] complains of Thomas de Hadleye, that whereas the said Osbert placed his stall for selling leather under the wall of St. Botulph's Priory on the Saturday after the Feast of St. Denis, the said Thomas came there late and removed the said stall and put his own stall there, against the said Osbert's will, to his loss, etc., and produces suit.

Thomas in defence says that the place where he put his stall was empty when he set it up, nor did he cause the said Osbert any loss. An enquiry to be made against the next Hundred.

Joan Holtones complains of Peter Faber and Christina his wife of a violent assault by the same Christina on the same Joan on Friday after Michaelmas Day, in the latter's house in Colchester market in St. Peter's Parish, breaking the door of the house and striking her with a flail, etc., and made "hamsokne" there.

Peter and Christina deny the charge of assault and "hamsok," and an enquiry is ordered.

Henry le Frend complains of Peter Faber that on the Saturday after the Feast of St. Denis he bought 1,000 nails called Schingelnayls for 2*sh.* at Peter's shop but only took half of them home; on the Monday following the other half was delivered, but he found them to be Tyelnayls of a less value, etc.

Peter in defence says that he delivered the nails which the said Henry bought and no others and will go to law. Pledges, Joseph Clericus and William de Sarcina. Day given.

THE ENQUIRY as to mixture of wines against certain Taverners, as appears above, before a Jury, results in an acquittal of the same.

Membrane 4.

STILL CONCERNING THE HUNDRED ON THE FEAST OF ST. EDMUND, ARCHBP.

Walter de Firmaria becomes a burgess of Colchester, and takes oath that he will preserve, etc., and finds pledges John Tinctor (Dyer), William de Leycestre, William de Sarcina and Richard le Deyer, of Tendring.

Margery, daughter of Peter Pistor (Baker), complains of Andrew le Whytere and Julia his wife on a plea of trespass, finding pledges to prosecute, Peter Pistor and Richard Pegon. Andrew and Julia are distrained by one pig, and will not justify themselves. It is ordered to hold and take more until etc. Andrew finds pledge to answer, Richard Clerk.

Elias, son of John, attached to answer the complaint of Hubert de Colecester that on Tuesday before the Feast of St. Martin he took the said Hubert's mare in a field called La Hyde in the

sheriff of Colchester, drove it away and impounded it, and detained it thus impounded unjustly, till at length the Bailiffs of the town delivered the same to him.

The said Elyas in defence says, and his advocate pleads, that the seizure and detention were just, as the said Hubert held the said land where the mare was taken from him by service of one pound of cumin, which had been in arrears for five years, and therefore he seized, etc.

And Hubert says the said advocacy ought not to be admitted, for whoever wishes to make advocacy on any his true holding for an annual service from his free tenement issuing, and to make the said holding secret to himself [sibi secretum] ought to say in his advocacy that he was seised of his fealty, and that fealty draws service to itself and makes the holding and not that service whereof he seeks judgment: and as the same Elyas in his advocacy makes no mention that he was seised of his fealty, nor that fealty was due to him in respect of the said tenement by reason of the said service, if on him as his true tenant omission be made of the fealty which is by right due from the same, he can make no advocacy on him as his true tenant for the said service issuing from the free tenement, or say that he is the true tenant.

The said Elyas says that it is not necessary to make mention of the fealty, because no fealty from a tenement held within the liberty is due, and he seeks return of the said mare as he cannot deny the said service.

Hundred of Colchester

Monday, Feast of St. Andrew in the 4th year of King Edward [30th Nov., 1310].

Essoigns :—

Walter Fullo against William de Leycestre for trespass, for which an enquiry: by Bartholomew de Cornhelle.
John Scot against Helena la Cambstere for trespass, by Robert de Subbitz.
Richard le Gros against John Edward for detention of chattels, by Joseph Clerk.
Richard Beel against John Okolf for debt, by Robert le Herde, and the parties have a day, etc.
Peter Musse, faber, against Henry le Frend for trespass, wherefore law, by Simon Tache.
Ralph Oude, attorney of the said Henry, in respect of the same, by Adam de Castro.
John Auenterous against John Somer for debt, law, by Richard Clerk.

William le Bret for coming to an agreement with William Huwe, in mercy. Pledges Adam Scot and Peter Pistor.

Gilbert Pyk for making an agreement with Alice la Norisse, in mercy. Pledge John Tinctor.

Stephen le Specer for making an agreement with Andrew le Somenur concerning two complaints, in mercy. Pledges Adam Scot and John Wolef.

Hugh de Stowe acknowledges that he is held to John le Wolef in 3*s*. silver, viz., 2*s*. paid to R. Kave, who was the said Hugh's pledge against the said Ralph (*sic*) for debt, sixpence for a sack which Hugh obtained from him, and 6*d*. which John lent to Hugh. It is ordered to levy the same 3*s*. from Hugh's goods and chattels, etc.

John David of Wylegh came before the Bailiffs and acknowledged that he is held to Simon Whiteman de Beamund in 6*s*. silver on account of a loan. It is ordered to levy the same, etc.

William Pruet, by his attorney, appears against Roger Tessonn, who is dead. It is ordered that he be acquitted.

JUDGMENT OF SUIT between Hubert de Colecestre and Elyas fil. Johannis, postponed to the next Hundred.

Alice, relict of John May, for coming to an agreement with Stephen May, in mercy. Pledge, William Deuel.

Ordered again to distrain Richard Musse to have William his son and servant to answer the charges of Richard Carectarius [Carter] and Alice his wife.

Thomas de Hadleye, tanner, for making agreement with Osbert Tanner, in mercy. Pledges, John Maydengod, John Buctyngham.

Still ordered to levy on the goods and chattels of Hugh Carnifex [Butcher] 7s. which William Chaplain of Heth recovered against the same in Court.

John le Wolef complains against Hugh Carnifex that he threatens his life and limb and on this produces suit, namely, Roger Mercator, John Viel and Adam Scot, by whom the charge is proved. Ordered to arrest the said Hugh.

Robert Gest distrained by two oxhides, valued at 5s., in respect of half a mark which Joseph Elyanor recovered against him, etc.

ENQUIRY TAKEN by Guy Cuthand, Roger Faber, William Hendy, and others, jurors, who say that Christina, wife of Peter Faber, assaulted Joan de Holton in her house, striking her, etc. Ordered that the said Julia [*sic*] recover damages, which are taxed by the said jury at 12*d.*, and Peter and Christina are in mercy,

Hugh de Stowe finds pledges for keeping the peace against John le Wolef, viz., Geoffrey de Hadleye, John Busch, Thomas Cook and William Pechewalle.

John Wodeward gives to the Commonalty his levy from Geoffrey de Hadleye, 6*d.*

Hugh de Stowe was charged with having constantly made use of litigious and opprobrious language against several persons in the market of Colchester, viz., John le Wolefot and others, as has often been intimated by the same, so that on this account the places where they have exposed their wares for sale have been emptied of buyers and sellers to their no small and manifest loss. The said Hugh pleads not guilty, and an enquiry is ordered against the next Wednesday.

John Scot finds pledges for keeping the peace with Henry Sefare.

Amice, relict of John Colyn, and daughter of Jordan Olyver of Colchester, the same day came before the Bailiffs and Commonalty and in full Hundred acknowledged that she granted and released to Saher de Donylond and Joan his daughter all the right which she had in the part of a curtilage with brewhouse [bracinum] built upon it and a great gate [magna porta] formerly belonging to the messuage of the said Jordan, in Colchester market, which part of curtilage, etc., the latter bequeathed to Agnes his wife, mother of the said Amice, to hold for her life, with remainder to Amice, as is more clearly set forth in the quitelain to the said Saher and Joan made by the same Amice.

Membrane 4. *verso.*

Pleas, Colchester

Wednesday after Feast of St. Andrew in the said year [2nd Dec., 1310].

Richard le Beel and John Okelef on plea of debt, by Simon Toche. The parties have a day.

THE ENQUIRY summoned for Hugh de Stowe comes to swear, etc. On which the said Hugh, not wishing to give trouble, confessed all the things charged against him, as appears above, and seeks the favour of the Court. Owing to a deficiency of burgesses and suitors he is respited to the next Hundred, and a day is given to hear his case. Pledges, Simon Toche and Peter Pistor [Baker].

Pleas, Colchester

Saturday before Feast of St. Nicholas in the abovesaid year [5th Dec., 1310].

John Ocolef complains of Richard le Neel that whereas he lent the latter, on the Monday before Palm Sunday, in the 3rd year of Edward II. [1310], in the said John's house, hay of the

value of 32*d.* to be paid on the following Sunday, he failed to do so, and still detains it unjustly. Also, he accommodated the said Richard with cheese to the value of 12*d.*, beer to the value of 8*d.*, and one bushel of barley malt to the value of 12*d.*, which he ought to have paid him on 1st August, 3 Ed. II. [1309], but failed to do so, and still detains, etc., to the said John's loss of 5*s.*, and produces suit.

The said Richard denies that he had the articles, and is prepared to defend, but cannot find pledges. It is determined that John may recover the 5*s.*, and his damages 5*s.*, and Richard is in mercy, 6d.

Gilbert Doun complains of John Alwyne, and finds pledges to prosecute, Richard le Blunt, etc.

The said John is attached to answer the charge, finding pledges Ralph Ade and John Bullok, etc.

Margery, daughter of Peter Pistor, complains of Richard le Wyter and Juliana his wife, that she accommodated the said Margery with a counterpane, price 2*s.*, up to the Feast of Purification of B.V. Mary [2nd Feb.] next following, and on asking then for its delivery the said Juliana refused to give it up, etc. Juliana acknowledges that she had the counterpane, but states that she gave Margery a tripod and 6*d.* in exchange, etc. Margery says she gave her 5*d.* for the tripod, etc. An enquiry ordered.

John Edward complained of Nicholas le Gros that on Tuesday after the Feast called "Pardonusoneday" [Pardon Sunday, *i.e.*, Easter Sunday] he came into the said John's field called Duncroft and took two oxen valued at 40*s.*, etc.

The said Nicholas denies the charge.

Peter Musse, because he failed to do his law against Henry le Frend, is in mercy; the said Henry may recover damages against Peter. Pledge, Nicholas le Gros.

Evidence was given by the Sergeant that he attached one box with corn of Richard Musse, at the mill called Northmelne, because he did not produce William, his son and servant. It is again ordered that William reply to the charges against him, as above.

A day again given to Hugh de Stowe for a hearing up to the next Hundred. Pledges, Simon Toche and William de Stonhous.

[THE PILLORY.]

Henry de Gyppewyco was taken and detained in the town prison for having by night entered the workshop of Peter Faber [Smith or Wright] and stolen iron valued at 5*d.* The said Henry came before the Bailiffs and Coroner in full Hundred and acknowledges the theft. It is determined that, as the iron stolen was not of more value than 5*d.*, the said Henry be adjudged to the judgment of the Pillory.

The case of Hubert de Colchester, plaintiff, and Elyas fil. Johannis, defendant, for stealing chattels, respited to the next Hundred.

Roger fil. Col, acknowledges that he is bound to Peter in 4*s.*, payable at Midsummer next ensuing without further delay.

Membrane 5.

The Hundred CONTINUED,

MONDAY AFTER THE FEAST OF ST. LUCY THE VIRGIN IN THE ABOVESAID YEAR [14TH DEC., 1310].

Robert Barefot was attached to reply to a charge of exposing for sale in the market putrid meat, and came before the Bailiffs and other Burgesses associated with them and declared that the meat was not putrid or tainted, but was of a good and sweet flavour for buying and selling, and begs that an enquiry be made.

THE ENQUIRY was made by the Butchers and other trustworthy persons sworn for the purpose, viz., by William Persale and others, who say on their oath that the meat was putrid and unfit for use. It was decided that the meat should be forfeited and the said Robert should be fined 12*d*. Pledges, Adam Scot and Ralph Raven.

Elyas fil. Johannis, appears by his attorney against Hubert Busse on plea of seizure of a mare, wherefore judges William de Plunst[ed] or Richard Ward.

Richard Ladde and John Kelye, because they had not Geoffrey de Holesle to reply to Peter de Aseton and the Commonalty on plea of trespass, for whom they went bail, are in mercy, 3*d*.

Concerning the same Geoffrey because he came not, therefore in mercy. It was ordered that he should find better pledges against the next Court to reply to the same.

It was again ordered to distrain Robert ate Gate to reply to John Bollex on plea of trespass against the next Court.

John Auentrous came before the Bailiffs and acknowledged that he is bound to John Caperoun in 20*d*. for two sheep bought from him. Therefore it was ordered to levy on his goods and chattels for the said sum. The said John Caperoun gave to the Commonalty, towards the said levy, 10*d*.

William Capellanus, of Hethe, complains of Roger le Cartere on a plea of trespass and finds pledges to prosecute, viz., Geoffrey Dounyng and Walter Wynchelot.

The said Roger finds pledges, John Lotonn and Peter de Aseton.

The same Roger puts in his place William de Sarcino against the said William on a plea of trespass.

Pleas of Colchester

Sunday after Christmas in the abovesaid year [27th Dec., 1310].

Alexander Cobat complains of John Oldeman on a plea of debt, and finds pledges to prosecute, viz., John Auentrous and Richard Pegon.

The said John, being attached to reply to the same, finds pledges, Peter le Wylde and Roger le Somenour, and the parties have a day at the next Court.

Richard de Hoo complains of Matilda Maynard and Alice Gage and finds pledges to prosecute, Henry Denny and Alexander Taverner.

The said Matilda and Alice, being attached, found pledges to reply to the same, Simon Serviens and R. Pegon.

Pleas at Colchester

Saturday after the Feast of Circumcision in the abovesaid year [2nd Jan., 1311].

A day was given for William Capellanus of Hethe, plaintiff, and William de Sarcino, attorney of Roger Carectarius [Carter], defendant, up to Tuesday next following, at request of the parties without excuse.

Pleas at Colchester

Tuesday before the Feast of Epiphany in the abovesaid year [5th Jan., 1311].

A further day was given between the abovesaid parties up to Saturday following, at request of the parties without essoign.

Pleas

Saturday after the Feast of Epiphany, in the aforesaid year [9th Jan., 1311].

William de Hetha, chaplain, complains of Roger Cartar that he forcibly entered his house at La Hethe, in the suburb of Colchester, and searched for the wife of Peter de Aseton, and even entered the said William's chamber and looked for her there, and accused him of keeping her with him, and of other enormities, whereas the said William had made arrangement with the said Peter that he would support the latter's wife at his table for the whole of that year for 3 marks, but on account of this accusation and defamation the said Peter refused to keep to the agreement, to the loss of the said William of 40*s.*, and thereto produces suit.

Roger denies the whole matter and is prepared to defend himself by his law.

The said William agrees, finding pledges Henry Seffare and William de Sarcino; and they have a day at the next Lawehundred.

Alan Spakeman finds pledges to keep the peace with Matthew ate Heth in respect of the threats made against the latter, viz., William de Plumsted, William ate Brok, Simon Pope, Adam Spakeman, Elyas fil. Johannis, and John Parles.

The same Matthew finds pledges to keep the peace with the same Alan, namely, Hugh Pottere, John Schirlok, William Springold, John Osekyn, Richard le Rede, and Peter Wylde.

Alice Mundes complains of Ralph le Verrer and Jul[iana] la Swones on a plea of trespass and for the prosecution asserts that she is a poor person. So it was ordered, etc.

The said Ralph and Juliana, attached to reply to the same, found pledges, Roger Wade and Simon Serviens.

Pleas

Monday before Feast of St. Hilary in the abovesaid year [11th January, 1311].

Alice Mondes complains of Ralph le Verrer and of Juliana la Swones, that whereas the said Alice on Sunday after the Epiphany, in the fourth year of King Edward, was peacefully in the said Juliana's house at Hundepet, in the suburb of Colchester, the said Ralph came with force and arms, struck and ill-treated the said Alice, abetted and instigated by the said Juliana, to the loss of the said Alice of 5*sh.*, and against the peace. The said Ralph and Juliana come, and Ralph confesses the aforesaid assault and trespass made on the said Alice, but says that it was not abetted or instigated by the said Juliana. He wishes for an enquiry, and the said Alice also. The said Juliana also denies that she abetted or instigated the said Ralph, and says that Ralph did no harm to the said Alice. An enquiry was ordered for the next Lagwehundred.

And as it was found by the acknowledgment, made by the said Ralph in full Court, that he struck and illtreated the said Alice as he is above accused of, and also in presence of the Bailiff, in contempt of our Lord the King and in despite of the Bailiff and the whole free Commonalty of Colchester, he was arrested in full Court by the Bailiff, and by favour of the Court he was allowed to find pledges to appear at the above said Hundred to hear judgment. Pledges, Henry Sefare and Roger Mercator.

[MEASLED MEAT.]

John Auentrous was attached to reply to the Commonalty on a charge that he exposed for sale on his stall in the market measled meat amongst sound meat against the custom and order of the free town and to the scandal and loss of the people, as the Guardians of the duties of Butchers have presented to the Bailiffs.

The said John came and acknowledged the said fault and sale, etc., and on this the said free Bailiffs, by the oath of good and loyal men, valued the said meat at 2*sh.* By favour of the Court the said meat was given to the said John to sell on the stall ordered for the sale of diseased meat and not elsewhere, so that concerning the 2*sh.* he finds pledges to reply at the next Hundred, viz., William Persale and Guy Carnifex.

William Capellanus de Hetha puts in his place Joseph Elyanore against Roger Carpenter in plea of trespass.

Membrane 5. verso.

Lagwehundred, Colchester

Monday after the Feast of St. Hilary in the 4th year of King Edward [18th Jan., 1311].

Essoigns.

Andrew le Whitere against Margery fil. Petri Pistoris on a plea of debt, whereof an enquiry [was made] by Richard Clericus.

Juliana, wife of the same, against the same [Margery], concerning the same, by William de Leycestre.

Elias fil. Johannis against Hubert de Colec[estria] on a plea of taking one mare, whereof judgment by H. Denny.

Alice la Gage against John de Hoo on a plea of trespass, by Robert de Subbery.

John Oldeman against Alexander Cobat on a plea of debt, by John Blacbak.

John Scot against Elena Apyngdones on a plea of trespass, 3*d.*

William de Sarcino, attorney of Roger Carter, against William Capellanus de Hethe on a plea of trespass; whence law by Richard Pake. They have a day in a fortnight.

Nichelas le Gros against John Edward on a plea of detention of chattels; whence an enquiry by Joseph Clericus.

Alexander Cobat puts in his place William de Sarcino against John Oldeman in a plea of trespass.

Richard de le Hoo opposes himself against Alice la Gage. Which Alice, being called, came not nor was there essoign for her. Therefore it was considered that she be in mercy (pledges were
3*d.* wanting) and that she be represented by better pledges against the next Court, etc.

John Auentrous for coming to an agreement with John Somer, in mercy. Pledges, Joseph Clericus and William de Sarcino.

[A LODGER'S CLAIM.]

Richard de Hoo complains of Matilda Maynard that whereas she and Alice la Gage (against whom, if she had been present, the said Richard would have made a statement) on the Sunday before Michaelmas let him a place for his bed in a chamber of their house in Colchester Market Place, up to Christmas, for 3*d.*, the said Matilda and Alice to keep his goods in the said chamber during the day at their own risk, the key being in their custody; but through failure of such custody the said Richard's goods were taken away to the value of 8*sh.* Wherefore the said Richard claims damages, half a mark, and produces suit.

The said Matilda acknowledges the letting as above stated, but denies that she undertook to be responsible for the goods either by day or night; and says that no such agreement was made with the said Richard.

The said Richard says that there was an agreement that she should look after his goods during the daytime, and asks for an enquiry, which was granted against the next Hundred, etc.

[A PIG IN EAST STOCKWELL STREET.]

Richard Carter complains of William fil. Ricardi Musse, that on Sunday the Feast of All Saints he was on horseback and rode over a pig of the said Richard, opposite his house in Estokwellestrate, and damaged it to the value of 12*d.*

The said William says he neither rode over nor hurt the pig. An enquiry to be made against the next Court.

A further demand concerning litigation is respited till the next Hundred.

[A CUSTOM OF THE BOROUGH.]

Walter Fullo opposes with his law William de Leycestre and came to do his law with two foreigners. And on this comes the said William and challenged the said law, and says that according to the custom of the Borough of Colchester, hitherto used and approved from time out of memory, when a burgess of that Borough found bail to do any law against a co-burgess, it is not lawful to do the said law, for which bail was found, except with co-burgesses of that Borough; and the same Walter, according to the said custom, did not come to do his law. Therefore he asks for judgment concerning himself and his law.

And because it was found that this was the custom, and that the said Walter, a burgess of that Borough, did not come in that way, it was considered that he had failed to do his law, and that the said William should recover his damages of half a mark, and the said Walter
12*d.* is in mercy by his pledges, Alexander Taverner and Simon Serviens.

Because it was found by acknowledgment of Ralph Vicar, which he made in full Court, that in the presence of the Bailiff of our Lord the King, he struck, damaged and illtreated Alice Mundes as she complained of him, to the loss of half a mark, as is written above, it was considered that the said Alice should recover her loss—5*sh.*, and that the said Ralph be in "good
2*sh.* mercy" [bona misericordia].

Afterwards the aforesaid Alice remitted to the said Ralph the said 5*sh.* to 2*sh.*, of which he paid into Court 8*d.*, Alice granting that he should pay the remaining 16*d.*, the half on the Feast of Purification, and half on Ash Wednesday [caput Jejunii Quadragesime], by pledges, Roger Prille and John le Wolef.

Because it was found by enquiry that it was not by consent or at the instigation of Juliana la Swones that Ralph Vicar struck the said Alice Mundes, as the latter stated above, the said Alice, for the false charge, is to be in mercy, and the said Juliana go free.

It is further presented to distrain Hugh de Stowe to come and hear his judgment.

John Aventrous, for selling diseased meat, is in mercy.

Membrane 6.

VERDICT.

The Jury consider the articles and say on their oath that Robert, called Brounerobyn, drew blood from Peter Faber, on the Feast of Circumcision in the aforesaid year, and struck and illtreated
12*d.* the same, so that his wife raised hue and cry justly, and he is in mercy.

[A VINEYARD.]

They say also that Hugh de Stowe raised two posts [stulpos] under his vineyard [sub vinea sua] opposite his tenement in the road, to the nuisance of the neighbours and other passers by.

They say also that Edward ate Pette had gravel dug outside the Estgate, to the peril of
6*d.* the stone wall of the town of Colchester, and to the nuisance of passers by. In mercy.

That Adam Plantyng detains 18*d.* annual rent for a certain croft of land called Mabilepistel pertaining to the Commonalty of the town, and has detained it for 15 years past. Therefore it is ordered to distrain on the said Adam.

That John fil. Gerardi le Chaucer and Simon le Quilter, on the night of St. John the Evangelist's day last past, entered the close of the prison court [cur' carceris] of the Commonalty of the town, beyond the walls where the prisoners were shut up, against the peace. They were ordered to be attached.

They say also that John le Trumpur entered the house of Agnes de Donewych, striking and illtreating her against the peace of the King, etc., so that the said Agnes raised hue on the
12*d.* said John justly; who is in mercy.

They say also that the Sacristan of St. Botulph's has raised a ditch near the King's way
6*d.* towards Heth, to the nuisance, etc. Therefore in mercy, and is ordered to level it.

That Elena Tuctay has a measure too large for buying, not yet sealed. Therefore she is to be attached.

ine, 6*d.* That Alice la Spellere is a receiver of stolen wool, cocks, hens and geese and other small things, and has broken her neighbours' fences and is a receiver of thieves. Therefore she is ordered to be attached, etc.

That John Dawenild has dug clay near the King's way, opposite his tenement in Grenestede, to the grave peril of passers by, etc. In mercy, and is ordered to see to it.

That Alice Dompe is a servant and not a Burgess. Therefore in mercy.

Cancelled because alibi.

Alibi. Joan Holtones is the same. Therefore in mercy.
Robert le Goggere is the same.
Malyua la Roperes is the same.
John Chomme is the same.

Alibi. Augustine la Taylures is the same, and is not a Burgess.
Martin Textor is the same.
John Abel is the same.

They say also that John de Burstalle has not cleaned his ditch near the tenement Crudde, whereby the course of water is impeded, to the nuisance, etc. In mercy, and ordered to clean it.

That John Unwyne has not scoured his ditch near the King's road and the tenement of the said Crudde, whereby the water course is stopped up, to the nuisance, etc.

6*d.* That Peter Fynger is a common forestaller of poultry and dairy, therefore in mercy.
6*d.* Annabel la Hukkestere, the same.
6*d.* Margery la Mazones, the same.
12*d.* Thomas Cocus, the same, and is a forestaller of fish and herrings.
12*d.* John Ballok, the same, and his wife is a forestaller of oysters commonly.
12*d.* John Oldeman, the same.
3*d.* Joan la Hukkestere, the same, and of oysters.
6*d.* Roger le Somenour, the same.
3*d.* Hawise Mundes, the same.
6*d.* Roger Daveys, the same.
6*d.* Margery Oldeman, the same.
Pardoned cause poor. Alice Fayr, the same.
Margery ate Gate, the same.
6*d.* Robert le Longe, because he came not to Lawehundred as he was summoned, in mercy.
Simon Martyn for the same, in mercy.
John Boog for the same, in mercy.

Simon le Donylonde became a burgess of Colchester on the same day, and swore on the Gospel that he would faithfully behave himself towards the town, and preserve it harmless from all losses through him, finding for the greater security pledges, viz., John Gage, Henry Belch, Henry Sefare and William de Sarcino. Fine, 8*sh.* 2*d.*

Henry Sefare complains of John Scot, on a plea of trespass, finding pledges to prosecute, viz., Henry le Longe and S[imon] Serviens. The said John to be attached, etc.

Joseph Elyanor complains of Walter le Mazoun and Margery his wife, on a plea of debt, finding pledges to prosecute, viz., W. Nichodemus and Richard Pegon. The said Walter and Margery to be attached.

Hundred of Colchester

Monday, Eve of the Purification in the year abovesaid [1st Feb., 1311.]

Essoigns :

Andrew le Whitere against Margery fil. Petri Pistoris, on a plea of debt, wherefore an enquiry by John Blackbak.
Joan his wife against the same, about the same, by Peter Fynger.
John Oldeman against Alexander Cobat, on plea of debt, by Robert de Sawiz.
Nicholas le Gros against John Edward, on plea of detention of chattels; wherefore an enquiry by Peter de Aseton.

Walter le Mazoun and Margery his wife, for licence to come to an agreement with Josep
3*d*. Elyanore, on a plea of debt, in mercy, by pledge of the said Joseph.

The same Walter and Margery came before the Bailiffs on the same day and acknowledged that they were bound to Joseph Elyanor in 18*sh*., payable to the latter in the present week, 6*sh*., and 6*sh*. on the 1st Sunday in Lent, and at Mid-Lent, 6*sh*.

Roger Carectarius on the same day with his law came and did it, as he had pledged, against William de Hetha, chaplain. Therefore it was considered that the said Roger should go quit,
6*d*. and William be in mercy.

Membrane 6. *verso*.

Elena Apyngdones complains of John Scot, on the plea that, as she was entering Estokwellestrate on the Saturday before St. Martin's day peacefully, the said John assaulted the said Elena and struck her with a stick and a knife, to the damage of 12*d*., and against the King's peace, and to that she produces suit.

The said John pleads not guilty to the said Elena's charge, and asks for an enquiry. The said Elena likewise. It is ordered to summon a good enquiry against the next, etc.

ENQUIRY taken by John de Geywode, William Skyp and other jurors, who say on their oath that the said John is guilty, that therefore the said Elena may recover damages, 4*d*., so taxed by the jury; and the said John in mercy.

Richard de Hoo complains of Alice la Gage and Matilda Maynard. (This case is stated again in full in nearly the same words as on *Membrane* 5 *verso*, the end of it being that)

AN ENQUIRY was held by Roger Pulle, John Edward and other jurors, who say that it was owing to a defect of custody, on the part of the said Alice, that the goods of the said Richard were stolen, on account of her allowing strangers to enter the room; and the said Matilda was not in the house at the time. The said Richard is to recover damages from the said Alice to the value of 8*sh*., and Alice to be in mercy; while Matilda Maynard is acquitted
3*d*. of the charge brought against her by Richard, who is in mercy.

6*d*. The case of Simon le Qwylter, for trespass against the Commonalty, in mercy.

The case of John fil. Gerardi le Chaucer, for the same, in mercy. Pledges, William Clericus
6*d*. and John Oldeman.

The case of Richard le Cartere, for a false cry made against William fil. Ricardi Musse for damaging a pig, when the said Richard and William did not appear at the enquiry, and the
3*d*. said William was acquitted, and Richard, as aforesaid, in mercy.

William Hauck became a burgess of Colchester, taking the oath to keep harmless, and to be of good behaviour, etc., and finds pledges, William de Sarcino, Richard Tanner, John le Gage and William Nichodemus. Fine, half a mark.

Judgment in the cases of Hubert de Colecestria, plaintiff, against Elyas fil. Johannis, defendant, and of Hugh de Stowe, respited till next Hundred.

Hawise fil. Will. Skyp complains of Eve Daze, on a plea of trespass, and for prosecution finds pledges, Roger Daveys and William Skyp.

William Naplef complains of Ralph Raven, on plea of trespass, and for prosecution finds pledges, Michael Naplef and William Prentiz.

The said Ralph was attached to reply, and finds pledges, John Raven and John Somer.

Thomas Baker and Elena his wife complain of Walter le Seler, on a plea of trespass, and for prosecution find pledges, William Nichodemus and Mark Maresall.

The said Walter was attached to reply, and finds pledges, William Nichodemus and Richard Pegon.

Alexander, cook to the Abbey, complains of William le Bret, on a plea of debt, and for prosecution finds pledges, Roger Dyer and Thomas Cook.

Peter le Wylde complains of Robert Vyrly, on a plea of trespass, and for prosecution finds pledges, William Nichodemus and Ernald de Mounteny.

The said Robert attached to reply to the same, finds pledges, William Nichodemus and John Proffete.

Warin fil. Willelmi complains of Edward ate Pette, on a plea of debt, and for prosecution finds pledges, viz., Alexander Taverner and Henry Denny. Therefore, etc.

Alexander Cook puts in his place William de Sarcino against William le Bret, on a plea of debt.

Warin Daze complains of Robert Countif, on a plea of debt, and for prosecution finds pledges, John Busch and Richard Pegon.

The said Robert attached to reply to the same finds pledges, John de Sancto Quintino and Robert Olyver.

Membrane 7.

Hundred of Colchester

ON MONDAY AFTER THE FEAST OF ST. VALENTINE IN THE 4TH YEAR OF THE REIGN OF KING EDWARD, SON OF KING EDWARD [15TH FEB., 1311].

(Attached is A WRIT, of which the following is a translation.)

G. de la Lee, Sheriff of Essex, to the Bailiffs of the free town of Colchester, Greeting. I have received a mandate of our Lord the King in these words: Edward, by the grace of God, King of England, etc., to the Sheriff of Essex, Greeting. Warin fil. Willelmi, son of William de Colecestria, has complained to us against Robert le Long, that he unjustly and without judgment has raised a certain shop in Colchester, to the nuisance of his free tenant in the same town, after the first voyage of our Lord the King Henry, our grandfather, into Gascony,* And therefore we command you that you hear that complaint, and afterwards cause him to be removed from thence legally that the claim may be the better heard to prevent default of justice. Witness myself at Berwick-on-Tweed, 12th Feb., in the 4th year of our reign. Wherefore I command you to perform this command diligently.

Essoigns.

Nicholas le Gros against John Edward (by his attorney), on a plea of detention of chattels, wherefore an enquiry, by William de Leycestria. 3rd time.

Robert Vyrley against Peter le Wylde, on a plea of debt, by Henry Demy. 1st time.

John Oldeman against Alexander Cobat, for debt, by John Gade. 3rd time.

Andrew le Whitere against Margery fil. Peter Baker, for debt, wherefore an enquiry, by Thomas Baker. 3rd time.

Julia, wife of the same Andrew, against the same, for the same, by Richard Clerk.

Walter le Seler against Thomas Baker, for trespass, by Peter le Wylde. 1st time.

* By the Statutes of Merton, 20 Henry III., it was enacted that certain writs, such as writs of novel diseisin, did did not extend beyond—that is, earlier than the date of the King's first voyage to Gascony, *viz.*, 1230.

Ralph Raven against William Naplef, for trespass, by Peter de Aseton. 1st time.
Elena, wife of Thomas Baker, against Walter le Seler, for trespass, by Edmund Skinner (Pelliparius). 1st time.
Hubert de Colec[estria] against Elyas fil. Johannis, for trespass, by Ralph Taylor (Cissor). 1st time.

John le Skynner complains of William de Morstrate, for trespass, and for the prosecution finds pledges, Ralph Taylor and John Specer.

The said William, attached to reply, finds pledges, William de Copford and William Pottere, baker.

6d. Elena, wife of Thomas Baker, appears against Walter le Seler, on plea of trespass. The said Walter, being called, did not come nor was there excuse for him. Therefore his pledges to be in mercy, and Walter to find better pledges against the next Court.

6d. Elyas fil. Johannis appears by his attorney against Hubert de Colecestria, on a plea of seizure of cattle, to hear judgment. The said Hubert, being called, did not come nor send excuse. Therefore he is in mercy, and Elyas to have return of the cattle.

3d. Simon Toche and William de Stonhous Parva did not have Hugh de Stowe to hear judgment, in mercy. The latter to find better pledges, etc.

Christina Daze, for coming to an agreement with Hawise Skyp, in mercy, by pledges.

Again it is ordered to distrain William le Bret to reply to Alexander, cook of the Abbey, against the next Court.

It is ordered to summon Edward Pette against the next Hundred, to show if he could say anything why a mark of silver, which he owed to William Pruet, chaplain, and in which the same William was bound to John de Frenyngham, and which was attached in the hands of the said Edward, for the necessity of the said John. And afterwards the said John and Edward came, and the same Edward acknowledged that he was bound to the same John in the said mark, and agreed to return it.

Warin fil. Willelmi appears against Edward ate Pette, on plea of debt. The same Edward was distrained by a thousand herrings, price 10*sh.*, and by this is not willing to justify himself. Therefore it is considered that they be held and more taken till, etc.

It is again ordered to distrain Adam Plantyng to reply to the Commonalty, as above.

It is ordered to summon a good enquiry concerning the measures of Elena Tuctay, against the next Hundred, etc.

Again ordered to attach Alice Spellere to reply, etc., against next Court.

Ordered to attach John Proffete to reply to the Commonalty for forestalling of fish, made on Wednesday before Feast of St. Valentine.

Henry Miller became a burgess of Colchester, on same day, taking the usual oaths, finding pledges, William de Sarcino, William Nichodemus and Richard Clerk and Peter Cristemasse.

Thomas Fysch of Holebrok became a burgess of Colchester, on same day, taking the usual oaths, and finding pledges, John le Frenyngham, Henry Denny, William de Sarcino and Peter le Wylde.

Pleas

Wednesday after the said Feast of St. Valentine [17th Feb., 1311].

Essoign.

William de Morstrate against John Skinner, on plea of trespass, by John de Henham. 1st time. A day was given to the parties at next Court.

Alice la Spellere, charged on an indictment of the Lawehundred, comes and says that she is not guilty of things she is charged with and asks for an enquiry. A good enquiry is ordered against the next, etc.

Pleas

Monday, Feast of St. Peter in Cathedra [22nd Feb.] in the said year [1311].

Robert de Cuntif against Warin Davze on plea of debt, by Henry de Leycestre. 1st time. Demand against John Prophete is respited to the next Hundred.

Pleas

Wednesday, Feast of St. Matthias [24th Feb.] in the said year [1311].

[FISH FOR THE ABBOT.—ALLEGED FORESTALLING.]

John Propffete (*sic*) was charged by the Bailiffs and Commonalty that he ought to have bought a load of fish in Colchester Market on Wednesday after Feast of St. Agatha [10th Feb.] for the use of the Abbot and Convent of St. John, Colchester, and that cheating the Commonalty he sold it to a stranger from West Hertford and thus was guilty of forestalling. Afterwards it was found by his acknowledgment that he did not supply the same fish for the said Abbot's use.

The same John denies it and says that Robert Virly, his lad, bought it at Aldeburgh and sold it as he best could, without cheat or loss to the Commonalty, and committed no forestalling as was imputed to him, and submits himself to an enquiry. An enquiry is therefore summoned against the next Saturday.

The same John was also charged on the Sunday before Ash Wednesday [21st Feb.] in respect of a parcel of fish called conger, which certain Burgesses ought to have supplied for their use and the use of the rest of the Burgesses.

THE ENQUIRY held by John Ballok and his companion jurors come and say that John Proffete is not guilty of the things which he is charged with above, and it is considered that the said John may be acquitted.

John Maylot of Fyngrinho complains of John Baroun and Alan Story on a plea of trespass, and for the prosecution finds pledge, Reginald de Fyngringho.

The said John Baroun attached to answer the same finds pledges, Walter Wynchelot, John Swarthar and John Thomme.

Therefore it is ordered to distrain Alan Story to answer to the said John Maylot as above, against the next Court.

John Auentrous complains of Walter le Trumpour on a plea of trespass, and for the prosecution finds pledges, Simon Serviens and John Somer.

The said John [should be Walter], attached to reply to the same, finds pledges, Robert Turnebatyn and William Nichodemus.

William Naplef puts in his place Henry Denny against Ralph Raven on plea of trespass.

Membrane 7 verso.

Essoigns.

Ralph Raven against William Naplef on a plea of trespass, by William de Sarcino. 2nd time.
William de Morstrate against John le Skynner on a plea of trespass, by Richard de Sancto Edmundo.
Robert Virly against Peter le Wylde on a plea of debt, by William Hendy.
Robert de Contyf against Warin Daze on a plea of debt, by Peter Wylde. The parties have a day.
John Oldeman against Alexander Cobat on a plea of debt, by Joseph Elyanor, who is in the service of our Lord the King.
William de Colyngges, attorney of Gilbert de Keleshall, parson of the church of St. Leonard de la Newehethe, near Colchester, against Alexander de Merseye and Joan his wife on a plea of land by Henry Denny.

A day was given between John Auentrous, plaintiff, and Walter le Trumpour, defendant, on a plea of trespass, to the next Hundred by prayer of the parties, without essoign.

6*d.* Andrew le Whytere, and Juliana his wife, for licence to come to an agreement with Margery, daughter of Peter Baker, in mercy. Pledges, Richard Clerk and Ralph Taylor.

6*d.* Walter le Seler for the same with Thomas Baker and Elena his wife, in mercy, by pledges of William Nichodemus and John de la Forde.

Philip Barber (Barbitonsor) for the same with Juliana May, in mercy, by pledge of Simon Primech.

Simon Dudde for the same with John Propffete, in mercy, by pledge . . .

6*d.* ENQUIRY taken by William Profale and others, jurors, come and say that Nicholas le Gros has not taken the oxen of John Edward in Doncroft as he complained of, and he is therefore acquitted, and the said John is in mercy for his false charge.

12*d.* Alice le Spellere for trespass, whereof she was indicted at the Lawehundred, in mercy, by pledge of Richard Pegon and Henry de Leycestre.

Elena Tuctay came in full Hundred and acknowledged that she possessed a false measure, according to the indictment at the Lawehundred; which measure was seen in Court. It was therefore considered that the measure should be forfeited, and that the said Elena be in mercy.

Again ordered to distrain Alan Story to reply to John Maylot of Fingringho, on a plea of trespass.

John Maylot of Fyngriho complains of John Baroun and Alan Story, against whom he would have reported if he had been present on the following plea, that on Saturday after Feast of St. Matthias as he was peaceably engaged at New Heath, near Colchester, the said John Baroun assaulted, etc., him with a stick, and did damage to the value of 20*sh.*, and produces suit.

The said John Baroun denied the assault and pleaded not guilty. Both agreeing to an enquiry, order is made for one; and the said John finds pledges to await the enquiry, William de Sarcino and Henry Sefare.

Ordered to distrain William le Bret to reply to Alexander, cook to the Abbey, etc.

Matilda, wife of John Saman de Stanweye, came in full Hundred and acknowledged that the tenement which her husband and she had jointly granted and sold to William le Gerdler was granted, etc., by their own free will and not by coercion of the said John her husband.

[A COMMON LITIGIOUS PERSON.]

Alice Wyger, convicted by Richard de Waltham and a jury of being a common litigious person, is adjudged worthy of punishment. The said punishment is respited to the next, etc., and if she be convicted any more for that or anything else that she be bound in 2*sh.* to be paid to the subsidy for the East Bridge of Colchester.

John Hogsach was charged with stealing corn toll, as was shown according to the complaint of the Toll Collectors, and he was prepared to defend himself in Court by law. Respited till the next, etc.

Again ordered to distrain Hugh de Stowe to hear his judgment against the next, etc.

Again ordered to distrain Adam Plantyng to reply to the Commonalty, etc.

Philip Rokele of Wykes became a burgess of Colchester, on the same day, taking the usual oaths, and finding sureties, John de la Forde, William de Sarcino, William Proffale, and Robert Crest. Fine, half a mark.

Richard Musse, miller, the same. Sureties, John de la Forde, William Proffale, Gilbert de Robregg and Robert de Brythlingse, merchant. Fine, 40*d.*

John Edward complains of Nicholas le Gros on a plea of seizing and detaining chattels, and for the prosecution finds pledges, William Proffale and William Nichodemus.

The said John being attached to reply to the same, finds pledges, Richard Heued and Simon Serviens.

Richard de Teye complains of Edmund Grymbaud on a plea of debt, and for prosecution finds pledges, namely, Ralph Oude and William de Sarcino. Therefore, etc.

[FREEDOM FROM TOLL CLAIMED.]

Ralph Pycot, distrained by half-a-quarter of oats, price 18*d.*, for toll of the same, comes and says that he ought not to pay toll, and says that he has a charter of our Lord the King, for himself and his heirs, demonstrating that he is free of paying toll here and everywhere in the power of our Lord the King. And because the said charter, which he alleges was not at hand nor seen in Court, is not allotted to him, but the allegation is prefixed to the said charter, a day is given at the next Lawehundred after Hokeday next following to show the said charter, if it should seem expedient to him, and to consult then upon it. And meanwhile it was granted that concerning the goods which he brings or causes to be brought there, bail should be taken from him or his friends for toll of the said goods thus sold, to the value of the toll, which affairs of this kind lawfully exact and demand according to the custom of the town.

On the aforesaid day are delivered to Richard de Hoo from the goods of Alice la Gage to the value of 8*sh.*, which the same R. has recovered against the said Alice, as appears and is entered on the Roll, and 12*sh.* which he recovered against her for damages, by taxation of the Court, viz., 1 quarter of oats value 3*sh.*, 1 pig value 2*s.* 2*d.*, and two large "cuu" [? bowls] value 2*s.* 4*d.* in silver, as they were valued by good and loyal men.

Membrane 8.

Pleas

Wednesday after Feast of St. Valentine in the 4th year of King Edward [17th Feb., 1311].

Warin Daze, plaintiff, appears against Robert Curtyn, defendant. The said Robert being called did not come nor send excuse. It was considered that he and his pledges be in mercy, and that he find better pledges to reply to the same Warin.

Peter Wylde, distrained by a cloth of russet for a certain half mark in which he acknowledged that he was bound to Dom. John Betoun, rector of the church of Miland, in presence of the Bailiffs. Therefore it was ordered to summon the said Peter to the next Court to show cause why the said half mark should not be levied, to the use of the said John, from the goods and chattels of the said Peter, according to his acknowledgment. Afterwards they came to an agreement.

John Edward puts in his place Ralph Onde against Nicholas le Gros, on a plea of seizure of chattels.

Pleas

Saturday before Feast of St. Gregory, Pope in the aforesaid year [6th March, 1311].

An enquiry held by John le Gage, John le Boulese and others, jurors, between John Maylot de Fingrinho, plaintiff, and John Baroun, defendant, says that the aforesaid John Baroun is not guilty, nor did any damage to the same John Maylot as he charged him with above. The said John therefore to be in mercy, and the said John Baroun to go free.

In mercy, but condoned at the instance of R. Bestare.

Roger Lollay complains of Nicholas le Vaus on a plea of trespass, and for prosecution finds pledges, viz., John Swarther and John Kelye. Therefore it is ordered, etc.

The said Nicholas attached to reply, finds pledges, Walter Wynchelot and John Carter.

The same Nicholas puts in his place Henry Denny against Roger Lollay on the same plea.

Hundred of Colchester

Monday after the Feast of St. Gregory in the aforesaid year [15th Mar., 1311].

Essoigns.

William de Colyngges, attorney of Gilbert de Keleshell, parson of the church of St. Leonard of the Neweheth, near Colchester, against Alexander de Merseya and Joan his wife, concerning a plea of land, by Ralph Onde. 2nd time.

Nicholas le Gros against John Edward on a plea of seizure of chattels, by Alexander de Merseya. 1st time.

William de Morstrate against John le Skynner on a plea of trespass, by Adam de Brerlay. 3rd time.

Richard de Teye against Edmund Grymbaud on a plea of debt, by William the Clerk. 1st time.

Roger Lollay against Nicholas le Vaus on a plea of trespass, by Roger Prentiz. The parties have a day.

Ralph Raven against William Naplef on a plea of trespass, by William de Sarcino. 3rd time.

Walter le Trompour appears against John Aventurous, plaintiff, on a plea of trespass. The said John being called did not come or send excuse. Therefore he and his pledges in mercy, etc., and the said Walter to go free.

John Oldeman puts in his place Roger Prentiz against Alexander Cobat on a plea of debt.

Nicholas le Gros, distrained by a cow to reply to John Edward on a plea of seizure of chattels; and as he will not justify himself by that to reply to the same, it is ordered that it be retained, and to take more until, etc., against the next Hundred. And the same John has the same day.

It was testified that Edmund Grimbaud cannot yet be distrained upon to reply to Richard de Teye on a plea of debt. Therefore it is ordered as before until, etc.

Peter le Wylde brings a complaint against Robert Virly, in mercy.

Demand of Adam le Grom is put in respite up to Friday next.

Alexander Cobat complains of John Oldeman on the plea that on Friday after Feast of St. Mary Magdalene [22nd July] the said Alexander delivered to the same John in the latter's shop in Colchester market, two barrels of tar (picis de Ter), price 10*sh.* 6*d.* for sale to their joint profit which indeed barrels were sold in that way. The same John admits it; whereof the same John has detained 2*sh.* from the sale of the said barrels and still detains it unjustly, to the loss of Alexander, 5*sh.*, and produces suit.

The said John, by his attorney, states that in respect of the sale abovesaid he only owes Alexander 6*d.*, which he has repeatedly offered to the said Alexander, and now offers it in Court. Pledges for his law, Roger Sayer and Joseph Elyanor.

The said Alexander says that the 6*d.* offered in Court has never been offered him before, and he is prepared to defend, etc. Pledges, Henry Denny and William de Sarcino. A day is given to the parties, etc.

Still ordered to distrain on William le Bret to reply to Alexander, Cook to the Abbey.—Alan Story to reply to John Maylot de Fingrinho.—Adam Plantyng to reply to the Commonalty for rent of "Mabilepistell."—Hugh de Stowe to hear his judgment.—Robert Curtyn to reply to Warin Daze on plea of debt, etc.

Pleas

Wednesday after Feast of St. Gregory, Pope, in the same year [17th Mar., 1311].

Essoign.

Roger Lullay against Nicholas le Vaus on a plea of trespass, by William de Sarcino. 2nd time. A day was given to the parties.

Pleas

Friday before Feast of St. Benedict in the same year [19th Mar., 1311].

Essoign.

Roger Lollay as above, by Joseph Elyanor. 3rd time. A day, etc.

William Tanner complains of Martin Marescall on a plea of debt, finding pledges to prosecute, William Nichodemus and William de Sarcino. Therefore it is ordered.

The said Martin to defend finds pledges, William Marescall and John Rotarius.

Walter Skip and Catharine his wife complain of John Bollex on a plea of trespass, finding pledge to prosecute, William Nichodemus, and the said John finds pledges, Joseph Elyanor and Adam Grom.

William, son of Thomas Cook, complains of John Ballok on plea of trespass, and finds pledges to prosecute, John Raven and J. Auenturus.

The said John, attached to reply, finds pledges, Simon Serviens and John Oldeman.

Gervase Taylor complains of William, a lad of Richard le Bowyer, on a plea of trespass, and to prosecute finds pledges, John le Arevesmyth and Hugh Butcher. Therefore, etc.

The said William, attached to reply, finds pledge, Richard le Bowyer.

Pleas

Monday after Feast of St. Benedict, Abbot in the year abovesaid [22nd March, 1311].

Essoign.

John Ballok against William, son of Thomas Cook, on a plea of trespass, by Hugh de Stowe. 1st time.

6*d.* Nicholas le Vaus appears by his attorney against Roger Lollay on a plea of trespass. The said Roger, being called, did not come or essoign. Therefore he and his pledges in mercy and the said Nicholas go [quit] *sine die.*

Roger Alfred complains of William Savage on a plea of debt, and to prosecute finds pledges, Roger Mercator and Richard de Wyseton. It is therefore ordered to distrain on the said William to reply to the same Roger against the next, etc., and he was attached to reply. Pledges, Richard Pegon and Richard ate Gate.

Roger Alfred puts in his place Joseph Elyanor against William Savage on plea of debt.

John Pegon complains of Philip Schipman on plea of trespass, and finds pledges to prosecute, William Deuel and R. Pegon.

The said Philip, attached to reply, finds pledges, Simon Serviens and Simon Grace.

Philip de la Rokele complains of William de Wythmersch on a plea of debt; finds pledges to prosecute, John de la Ford and Stephen Tanner.

The said William distrained a horse and wool, price . . . , will not justify himself by that. It is ordered to hold that and take more, etc. Afterwards he finds pledges, Elyas fil. Johannis and Matthew le Verrer, concerning the horse

[*Memorandum of a hue raised between . . .*]

Membrane 8 *verso.*

or its value, 10*sh.*, and a saddle, value 12*d.*, if it should happen that the said Philip should afterwards recover against the said William. The same William finds pledges, viz., Elyas fil. Johannis and Salomon de Donylond, to return the wool or to be responsible for its value, viz., 20*sh.*, if the said William should happen to be condemned in the said debt.

Hundred of Colchester

Monday after Feast of the Annunciation in the 4th year of King Edward [29th Mar., 1311].

Essoigns.

John Bollex against William Skyp and Catharine la Bawes his wife on a plea of trespass, by John Sayer. 1st time.
William de Colyng, attorney of Gilbert de Keleshall, parson of the church of St. Leonard's de la Neweheth, near Colchester, against Alexander de Merseya and Joan his wife, on a plea of land, by Joseph Elyanor. 3rd time.
Nicholas le Gros against John Edward on a plea of seizure and detention of chattels, by Alex. de Merseya. 1st time.
Afterwards came. Philip de la Rokele against William de Wythmersch on plea of debt, by Will. de Sarcino. 1st time.
Cancelled. Will. de Morstrate against John le Skynner on plea of trespass, by Stephen de Hoo.
William, lad (garcio) of Richard le Bowyer, against Gervase Tayler on plea of trespass, by John le Barker. They have a day, etc.
Robert le Longe against Warin fil. Willelmi on plea of nuisance of a free tenant, by William Way.
Martin Marshall against Thomas Tanner on plea of debt, by Ralph Onde.
William de Morstrate against John le Skynner on plea of trespass, in the service of our Lord the King, by Henry Denny.

John de la Rokele puts in his place Joseph Elyanor against William de Whithmersch on plea of debt.

Because it is testified by the sub-bailiffs that William Savage still has nothing by which he can be distrained to reply to Roger Alfred on a plea of debt, therefore it is ordered as before against the next Hundred, and the same day was given to Roger.

The same concerning Edmund Grymbaud against Ric. de Teye.

John, parson of the church of St. James, Colchester, charged with trespass committed by him.

3*d*. Philip le Schipman for coming to terms with John Pegon, in mercy. Pledges.

Alex Cobat came with his law and performed it fully as he had pledged. He may therefore recover 6*d*. and his damages 3*d*. Pledges, Will. de Sarcino and Henry Denny.

6*d*. John Oldeman came with his law and performed it fully as he had pledged. Therefore it was considered that the said Alexander for his false complaint as to 18*d*. is in mercy, and the said John for detention of 6*d*. is in mercy. Pledges, William de Plumsted and John de Parles.

In mercy, but condoned because a poor man. A day was given between Will. Naplef, plaintiff, and Ralph Raven, defendant, up to the next Hundred by prayer of the parties, without essoign.

6*d*. John Ballok for licence to come to terms with William fil. Thomas Cook, in mercy.

3*d*. John Brid for same with Alex. Templer, in mercy.

3*d*. John Madous for same with Richard Pegon, in mercy.

Pleas

Monday after Palm Sunday in the year abovesaid [5th April, 1311].

3*d*. Gervase Taylor, because he withdraws his charge against William, the lad of Richard le Bowyer, is in mercy, by pledge of Joseph Elyanor.

[STINKING FISH.]

AN ENQUIRY held by John Huft, John Carter and his fellows, jurors, who say on their oath that Laurence de Maldon carried a boat laden with Ray fish to Colchester harbour for sale, which was stinking, etc., so that the neighbours could not stay in their houses for the stench, to the loss of the Commonalty and the country and contrary to the state of the aforesaid free town.

The same Laurence, charged with this, says that one John Alberd of Yarmouth hired his boat from the town of Meudon [? Maldon] as far as Colchester, and loaded it with the said fish as if he were a principal merchant, so that the said Laurence claimed no mastership or right over the

said fish except the hiring by the said John. And concerning this he called the latter to warranty, who immediately came before the Bailiffs and owned that he was master of the said fish thus brought, and that it lawful for him to have sent the fish if it had been good, wholesome and profitable to the use of man, but because he perceived that he had sent the fish contrary to the state of the town, he begged for favour that he might give satisfaction for the trespass,
Fined 2*sh.* which was granted to him and he paid a fine.

[GARFISH IMPROPERLY PURCHASED.]

John Strotyn, because he confesses that he obtained a hundred fish called Garfisch, at Heth for sale, before the hour for obtaining them, and bought them for 5*sh.* 6*d.* and thus obtained 6*d.* more than others could have done, therefore he is in mercy, by pledges, Henry Sefare
12*d.* and Richard Pegon.

[STINKING FISH.]

John Kelye was charged on an indictment that he procured some stinking fish called Raye and sent it for sale to the market contrary to the state of the town and to the loss of the Commonalty and country. Who came and acknowledged the same and asks for the favour of the
18*d.* Court, which was granted and he paid the fine.

Adam Body was charged with the same offence.

Petronilla Potes, Petronilla Donnyng, Sibil Belcher, Sibil her daughter, and Nota Godwyf were charged with obtaining and carrying into market the same stinking fish, who say that it was sweet, etc., when they obtained it, but owing to the mass of it, it took heat and lost its sweetness. They ask for favour of the Court and finally are fined 15*d.*, viz., 3*d.* each.

Alice, daughter of Richard Clerk, complains of Alota Hobelach, trespass. No pledge for prosecution as she is poor, but Alota finds pledge to reply, William Gray.

Membrane 9.

Hundred of Colchester

Monday in Easter Week in the 4th year of Edward, son of King Edward [12th Apr., 1311].

Essoigns.

Robert le Longe against Warin fil. Willelmi on a plea of a nuisance of a free tenant [or tenement], by Stephen Marcyan. 2nd time.
Nicholas le Gros against John Edward on a plea of seizure and detention of chattels, by Richard de Sancto Edmundo.
John Bollex against Walter Skyp and Catharine his wife on a plea of trespass, by John Luste.
William de Whithmersch against John de la Rokele on plea of debt, by John Parles. 1st time.
William de Colyng, attorney of Gilbert de Keleshalle, parson of St. Leonard's, Newhethe, against Alex. de Merseya and Joan his wife on plea of land, who is in service of our Lord the King, by John le Gage.
Ralph Raven against William Naplef on plea of trespass, by Henry Denny.
Martin Marshall against Thomas Tanner on plea of debt, by Joseph Elyaner. 1st time.
Alice Hobelotte against Alice, daughter of Richard Clerk, on a plea of debt, by John Ballok. 1st time.

John le Skynner, plaintiff, appears against William de Morstrate, who being called did not come or essoign. Therefore it was considered that he and his pledges be in mercy, and that he find a better pledge to reply, etc.

Distraints ordered on Adam Plantyng for rent of Mabilepistel, etc.—Will. le Bret to reply to Alex. Cook.—Hugh de Stowe to hear judgment.—Adam Story to reply to John Maylot.

Hubert Bosse complains of Nicholas le Gros for seizure and detention of chattels, and finds pledges to prosecute, John Dyer and William de Saham, and to make return, etc. Therefore it is ordered, etc.

The said Nicholas attached to reply to the same, finds pledges, Simon Serviens and William Nichodemus, and the parties have a day to the next Hundred.

Simon Taylor complains of Henry Clerk for trespass, and finds pledges, W. de Sarcino and W. Nichodemus.

The said Henry's pledges were Simon Serviens and Nicholas Smart.

Pleas

Friday in Easter Week in the abovesaid year [16th Apr., 1311].

Essoign.

Henry Clerk against Simon Taylor on plea of trespass, by Andrew Woderoue. 1st time. They have a day, the following Saturday.

Pleas

Saturday in Easter Week in the abovesaid year [17th Apr., 1311].

Essoigns.

The above Henry Clerk, by Joseph Elyanor. 2nd time.
The above Simon against Henry, by Will. de Sarcino. 1st time. Day given, the following Wednesday.

AN ENQUIRY held by Nicholas Skinner, William Schaylard and other jurors, who say on their oath that William Man entered the house of Mabel la Deyere, on Tuesday in Easter Week
l. late, and struck and illtreated her against the peace, etc.

Pleas

Wednesday after the Octave of Easter [21st Apr., 1311].

Henry Clerk for license to come to terms with Simon Taylor, in mercy, by pledge of William Clerk.

Roger Sayer complains of John Oldeman on plea of debt, and finds pledges to prosecute, Matthew le Verrer and Nicholas le Gros. The said John finds pledges, Adam Scot and Simon Serviens, and they have a day at the next Hundred.

Robert le Long complains of Roger Carter on plea of debt, and for prosecution finds pledges, William Deuel and Simon Serviens.

The said Roger attached to reply finds pledges, Will. de Sarcino and Simon Serviens, and they have a day, etc.

Roger Lollay complains of John Oldeman on a plea of debt, and to prosecute finds pledges, John Huft and John Swarthar. The said John's pledges being Will. Nichodemus and John Ballok.

Hundred of Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. George in the year abovesaid [26th Apr., 1311].

Essoigns.

John Bollex against Walter Skyp and Catharine his wife on plea of trespass, by Richard fil. Matilde. 3rd time.
Angnes Hobelottes against Alice, daughter of Robert Clerk, on plea of trespass, by Peter fil. Hugonis. 2nd time.
Will. de Whithmersch against Philip de la Rokele on plea of debt, by Roger de Whithmersch, jun. 1st time.
Robert le Longe against Warin fil. Willelmi on plea of nuisance of a free tenant [or tenement], by John Scot. 3rd time.
John Oldeman against Roger Sayer for debt, by Simon Grace. 1st time.
Roger Carpenter against Rob. le Longe for debt, by Hugh Baggard. 1st time.

Nich. le Gros against Hubert Bosse on plea of seizure and detention of chattels, by John Parles. 1st time.
Martin Marshall against Thomas Tanner, by Peter le Wylde. 3rd time.
Alice, daughter of Rich. Clerk, against Agnes Hobelottes for trespass, by Richard Clerk. 1st time.
Will. Savage against Roger Alfred for debt, by Ric. Sayer. 2nd time.

Hubert Bosse complains of Nich. le Gros for detention of a she goat, and finds pledges, Richard Clerk and Roger Sayer. Therefore, etc. The said Nicholas attached to reply, finds pledges, Robert Whitfott and Simon Serviens.

Alex. de Merseya and Joan his wife appear against Gilbert de Keleshalle, parson of St. Leonard's of La Neweheth, on a plea of land, viz., whether a messuage and rood of land in Neweheth is free alms of the church of St. Leonard or a lay fee of Alex. de Merseya and Joan his wife. The said Gilbert does not prosecute; therefore he is to take nothing by his writ, and his pledges are in mercy, and Alexander and Joan may go *sine die*.

Mercy. Cancelled because pledges are in chancery.

Will. Naplef complains of Ralph Raven for assaulting and wounding him with a knife at the Northgate, Colchester. The said Ralph denying the charge, an enquiry is ordered.

Distraints still ordered on Will. Bret to reply to Alexander, cook to the Abbey.—Hugh de Stowe to hear judgment.—Nota Godwyf . . . . Adam Plantyng . . . .

Membrane 9 verso.

John Hust [or Huft], accused of forestalling the market with fish called "Garfisch" to the loss of the Burgesses and other merchants, pleads not guilty, and on enquiry by Adam atte Clyve and a jury he is acquitted.

Will. le Seler of Wlryham complains of Will. Tanner for trespass, finding pledges, John de la Forde and John ate Leye. The said William Tanner's pledges being Richard Tanner and William Pentecost, and the parties have a day, viz., Friday, the Feast of St. Erkenewald [30th April].

The same William le Tanner complains of Will. le Seler abovesaid for trespass, and finds pledges as above, the latter also finding pledges as above.

Pleas

Feast of St. Erkenewald [Erconwald] [30th April] in same year [1311].

6*d*. Will. Tanner for licence to come to terms with Will. le Seler of Wyham [Witham ?], in mercy.
6*d*. The same William for withdrawing himself against the same on plea of trespass, in mercy.

John Ballok complains of John Oldeman on plea of debt, and finds pledges to prosecute, Roger Sayer and Thomas Sayher. The said John finding pledges to defend, Will. Nichodemus and Simon Serviens.

Thomas Sprot complains of Ralph, son of Mariota la Glaswrithe for detention of chattels. Pledges, Will. de Sarcino and John Dodel, Ralph's pledges being Ralph Sefare and Roger Wade.

Mariota de Subberia complains of Bartholomew le Chaucer and Juliana his wife and Richard his son for trespass, and for prosecution affirms, because he is a poor man. Therefore, etc.

John ate Schawe finds pledges, Simon Serviens and William Nichodemus.

Lagwehundred of Colchester

Monday after Hokeday, viz., The Feast of the Invention of Holy Cross in the fourth year of the reign of Edward, son of King Edward [3rd May, 1311].

Essoigns.

John Oldeman against Rog. Lollay, by Rob. de Subbery. 1st time.
The same against Roger Sayher, by John Joye. 2nd time.

Ralph Raven against Will. Naplef, on plea of trespass. Wherefore an enquiry, by Will. de Sarcino. 1st time.
Agnes Hobelot against Alice la Rede on plea of trespass, by Richard le Teler. 3rd time.
Nich. le Gros against Hubert de Colecestria for seizure and detention of chattels, by Elyas fil. Johannis. 2nd time.
Roger Carter against Rob. le Long for debt, by Rog. Sayer. 2nd time.
Master John de Colecestria concerning common, by John Betoun.
Simon Toche for same, by Will. Toche.

[A HERIOT.]

Matilda, formerly wife of Geoffrey Parsoun, came and appeared against John ate Schawe of Grensted on a plea that he took a cow of the said Matilda, and avowed that he took it in name of a heriot which ought to come to him on the death of her said husband by reason of a certain tenement which the said Geoffrey held in Grensted, and which he had by grant and feoffment of the same John, and he detained the said cow so that the said Matilda could not have it until by the Bailiffs of the liberty of Colchester, etc. The said John came and acknowledged that he took the cow because he thought that he had a right to do it, but as it was found by the acknowledgment of the same that no heriot had ever been demanded nor given from that tenement, because it is a burgage, by the advice and assent of Richard de Teya or of the Prior of St. Botolph of Colchester, whose tenant the same John is, the said John came into Court and withdrew from the said complaint, acknowledging that he had made the same distraint unjustly. He was therefore in mercy, and the said Matilda might go, *sine die*. Pledges, John
12*d* Tanner and W. Deuel.

Martin Marshall for licence to come to terms with Thomas Tanner is in mercy. Pledge,
6*d*. Joseph Clerk.

Still ordered to distrain Bartholomew le Chaucer and Juliana his wife and Richard his son to reply to Mariota against the next Hundred.

A day was given to Thomas Sprot, plaintiff, and Ralph fil. Mariote, defendant, in a plea of detention of goods, up to the next Hundred, by prayer of the parties, without essoign.

John Dodel and the same Ralph have the same day in the same case, etc.

John le Gage, charged with buying and selling stinking fish called "Reyghe" as appears above. Pleading not guilty and asking for an enquiry, he has a day, etc. The enquiry acquits him of the charge.

John Oldeman, distrained by two dishes of brass to reply to John Ballok on plea of debt, is not by this willing to justify himself. Therefore it is ordered to hold that and take more until, etc., to the next Hundred.

Hubert de Colecestria puts in his place Ralph Tayler against Nicholas le Gros on a plea of detention of cattle.

The same Hubert appoints the same attorney against the same Nicholas le Gros for detention of a she-goat.

William Savage comes into Court and acknowledges that he is bound to Roger Alfred in 7*sh*. due to the same.

John Oldeman for licence to come to terms with Roger Sayer, in mercy, by pledge of the
6*d*. same Roger.

6*d*. And the same William for unjust detention is in mercy.

Nich. le Gros attached to reply to Hubert de Colecestria on plea of detaining a she-goat, finds pledge, Robert Whitfot. And they have a day, etc.

John Bolex attached to reply to Kattarine la Bawe, for having in the market of Colchester assaulted Catherine, throwing her to the ground and striking her with his foot and fist and otherwise illtreating her. Damages, half-a-mark, and produces suit.

The said John denies the charge and asks for an enquiry, which is summoned against the next Wednesday.

John Bolex for licence to come to terms with Catherine Bawes is in mercy, by pledges,
3*d*. S. Serviens and W. Deuel.

[QUESTIONS OF JURISDICTION.]

William de Whithmersch, merchant, attached to reply to Philip de la Rokele in a complaint that whereas they are partners in a business of wool and woollen cloth when the merchandise and profits were balanced on the day of St. Osith in the fair there, the same William was found to owe William a hundred shillings, and though he promised to pay the same in the church of St. Ronwald, Colchester, on the Wednesday after the balance, yet he did not do so and still detains the money, to the loss of the said Philip of 40*sh.*

The said William defends and says that he ought not to answer the charge as, according to English and Common law, no one is allowed to hold a plea of debt where the sum exceeds 40*sh.* without special order of the King by writ; and the demand of this debt exceeding that sum the Court in which he is attached cannot be recognised, and so it seems to them that he is not bound to reply. He therefore seeks judgment and on this it is proposed to procure the King's writ (hereto annexed). And because it was found that in cases between various parties on many occasions, by record of this Court, pleas of debts exceeding the sum of 40*sh.* and even reaching the sum of £10 have been heard and decided, and so acknowledgment in similar cases of pleas of this sort has been usual it is considered that the King's writ, which it is proposed to procure, does not prevent him from replying to the demand. The said William sees that he cannot
transiens escape responsibility for the said debt, and puts forward another writ of the King which forbids
palliva anyone distraining anyone by his own power and temporary bailiwick, for agreements, contracts or trespasses committed outside his own power or bailiwick without special authority of our Lord the King for it, etc. And he says that because the aforesaid valuation by which that debt is demanded was made outside the power of the Bailiffs of the said Court in the said plea, he is not held to reply to the same debt due to the same Philip. And because the said Bailiffs of the said Court cannot proceed further on account of the said King's writ, a day was given to the parties to the next Hundred, viz., the Feast of St. Dunstan, to hear judgment, etc.

[The two writs [copies] are attached, but are in such a fragmentary condition that it is useless to translate them.]

[*Membrane* 10 *is missing.*]

Membrane 11.

On Friday, the 14th May, in the 4th year of King Edward [1311], in full assembly of the Burgesses of Colchester, among other matters concerning the liberty of the town, there was treated the business of the Bishop of London in the following form.

Whereas on the suggestion of the Venerable Father Ralph de Baudake, Bishop of London, our Lord the King by his writ to the Bailiffs of the said Borough had prohibited the said Bishop (or his men who came from Chelmerford and Braunketree with their goods and merchandize to the said Borough) from being distrained on there for payment of toll, saying that the said Bishop and his predecessors, Bishops of London, and their men from the said towns, ought and were accustomed to be acquitted of paying toll for their goods and merchandize through the whole of the Kingdom of England, and upon this had issued his writ as is aforesaid, that they should entirely desist from these distraints made by the same on that account, or show cause why they did not obey the mandate of our said Lord the King; it was by agreement ordained that cause should be shown to the King by the Bailiffs in name of the Commonalty under this form. That the said Bishop and his predecessors and also their men from the abovesaid towns coming with their merchandize, etc., to the said Borough, from time immemorial before the making

of the charters of the Kings of England whereby they claim to be exempt from the payment of toll, and on and after the making of those charters, they have paid toll always up to the present; adding, however, concerning things which are sprung and grown from the fee of the said Bishop belonging to their church of St. Paul's, London, they are by no means distrained on for paying toll, but are allowed to go quit of it all together.

Elyas fil. Johannis and William de Plumsted were ordered and elected to carry and make that reply in the King's Court; so, however, that the said King's Court, concerning the same reply, should advise whether they could, if it should be necessary, allege such avowal as is premised by pleading or not. And if it should be found that a reply of this kind will avail for demanding toll, then the collectors of Toll in Colchester should distrain the same Bishop and his men to pay toll in the manner abovesaid. And if it should not avail, that they should altogether desist and abstain from such demand and distraint in as cautious a manner as they could.

To this order the following were present:

Robert Olyver,
Elyas fil. Johannis,
John de Forda,
Ralph Ode,
William Clerk,
Andrew Clerk,
William Plumsted,
Matthew le Ve . . .
Ralph Sefare,
Richard ate Gate,
William de Sarcino,
John de Tendr[ing ?],
William Gray,
Richard de Wiseton,
Richard Dyer,
Adam de . . . .
Adam de Cogger[shall],
Henry Denny,
Richard le Gros,
William Parsale,
Alexander Taverner,
J. Tinctor,
Roger T[inctor],
Richard de Colne,
John Wolef,
John Parles,
Thomas Curtays, and
Rob. Turnebatyn.

Appended is the King's warrant addressed to the "Bailiffs of Margaret, Queen of England,"* of Colchester, forbidding them to exact toll from the Bishop of London or his men going to that Borough, etc., and at once to release them from any distraint they may have put on them for payment of toll, etc. Dated at Berwick-on-Tweed, 24th February, Anno 4 [1311]. Endorsed with a brief summary of the case as given above.

[WARD CONSTABLES ELECTED.]

Ordination of Constables.

On the same day were elected the undermentioned Constables for keeping the Peace according to the Statute of Winchester, viz., Thomas Ty . . . in Heuedward, Gilbert le Gaunter in Northward, Robert de Dersham in Estward, and John Maydegod in Suthward, and sworn.

Henry ate Felde complains of Sybil de Beleches and Sarra de Peldon on a plea of debt, and finds pledges to prosecute, John de Forda and Richard Pegon. Therefore it was ordered, etc.

The said Sybil and Sarra, attached to reply, found pledges, Walter Wynchelot, Robert Doune, John Brid and Richard Pegon, and they have a day.

Peter le Wylde complains of John Oldeman in plea of debt, and to prosecute finds pledges, Richard Pegon and Will. Nichodemus. Therefore, etc., the said John's pledges being John Ballok and Will. Nichodemus, and they have a day.

John de Tendr' [Tendring] complains of John Maymund on plea of debt, and for prosecution finds pledges, Roger le Teynturer and William Nichodemus. Therefore, etc., and the said John Maymund, attached to reply, finds pledges, Simon Serviens and William Deuel.

William Pastor [? Shepherd] of Ardleye, complains of John Busch on plea of debt, finding pledges, viz., William Parsale, . . . Teye. Therefore it is ordered. Afterwards he comes and withdraws from his complaint, etc.

Henry ate Felde puts in his place Ralph Ode against Sybil Belch and Sarra de Peldon on plea of debt.

Still ordered to distrain John Tongeberye by his body, etc.

* The Queen Mother, widow of Edward I.

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Hundred of Colchester

Monday in Whitsun Week [31st May], in the 4th year of King Edward, son of King Edward [1311].

Essoigns.

Ralph Taylor, attorney of Hubert de Colcestria, against Nich. le Gros, for seizure and detention of goods, by Stephen Martin. 2nd time.
The same Ralph against the same for detention of a she-goat, by John Blackertel. 2nd time.
John de Tendr' against John Maymund on plea of debt, by Peter Whilde. 1st time.
Bartholomew le Chaucer against Mariota de Subberiz on plea of trespass, by John Grade.
Juliana, wife of the same Bartholomew, against the same on the same plea, by Robert de Subberiz.
Richard, son of the said Bartholomew, against the same, by Joseph Elyanore.
John Oldeman against Roger Daveys on plea of debt, by John Scot.
Sarra de Peldoun against Henry ate Felde on plea of debt, by Peter de Aseton.
John Simund against John Peddar on plea of trespass, by William Russel. 2nd time.
Sybil Belches against Henry ate Felde for debt, by William de Sarcino. 1st time.
Roger Sayher, attorney of Roger Lolley, against John Oldeman on plea of debt, by Alexander Taberner. 1st time.
The same John against the same, by Roger Prentiz. 3rd time.
Ralph Raven against William Naplef on plea of trespass, whence an enquiry, by Robert Olyver.

John de Tendr', plaintiff, appears against John Maymud, defendant, the latter being called came not nor essoigned. Therefore his pledges were in mercy, and that he should find a better against the next. The same John has the same day. The same John, being attached to reply to Stephen de Linenhey, [finds pledges] Gilbert Fullo, William Nichodemus and Simon Serviens

Robert le Longe, plaintiff, appears against Roger Carter, defendant, on a plea of debt. The said Roger did not appear. He and his pledges in mercy. Being attached to reply, finds pledges, Simon Carter, John Rotar', Simon Serviens, [Will.] Nichodemus.

Philip de la Rokele appears by his attorney against William de Whithmersh to hear judgment as appears above, and for want of suitors is placed in respite to the next Hundred.

Again ordered to distrain John Persoun to reply to Matilda de Hyde.

A day given for Peter Whilde, plaintiff, and John Oldeman, defendant.

It is ordered to summon William le Bret to show, if he can, why he pledged a certain mantle to William Hugwe for 14*s*. and has not redeemed it; which sum of money he acknowledges he owes the said William.

ENQUIRY held by William Persale, etc., between William Naplef and Ralph Raven who find that the charge brought against the latter for an assault with loss of blood is a false one, and William is in mercy, by pledges, William Persale and John Raven, but that he was guilty of an ordinary assault, and Ralph is in mercy.

ENQUIRY held by William Gray, John Man and others, between Agnes Hobelot and Alice la Rede, who say that the latter damaged and struck the former, as is alleged. The said Alice is in mercy.

It was found by the same enquiry that Alice damaged, etc., Gregory, son of Richard le Deluere, against the ground and stone and drew blood. It is considered that the said Richard may recover damages, 6*d*., and Alice is in mercy.

Edward Carter for licence to come to terms with Robert Virly is in mercy.

It is ordered to attach John Tongeley (?) by his body.

Membrane 11. *verso.*

Richard le Forseter de Parys complains of Adam Orloger de Merseya on plea of detention of goods, value £40. Distrained by a horse. Afterwards finds pledges to prosecute, William Clerk and William de Plumsted.

The said Adam finds pledges, William le Verrer and Roger Juscard (?) The parties have a day.

Pleas

Thursday in Whitsun Week in the 4th year of King Edward [3rd June, 1311].

Essoign.

Adam le Orloger, by Henry Denny. 1st time.

Pleas

On the same day in the evening [ad horam vesperarum].

Essoign.

The same Adam, by Will. de Leycestria. 2nd time.

Pleas

Friday before Trinity [4th June].

The same Adam, by William de Sarcino. 3rd time.

The parties have a day till evening of the same day.

Pleas

The same day, evening.

The above parties appear and ask licence to talk it over. Afterwards Richard appears, but Adam does not, and Richard asks that judgment may go by default. And because the Bailiffs had no assessors to give judgment, a day is given to the next Hundred, viz., Monday after Feast of St. Barnabas, to have record and judgment, and the goods and chattels of Adam to be kept in safe custody till the same day.

Richard le Forseter of Parys puts in his place John Parles and Richard Pegon against Adam le Orloger.

Edward Carter complains of Gilbert le Ferour on plea of detaining one horse, and to prosecute finds pledges, William de Sarcino and Robert Virly. Therefore it is ordered.

The said Gilbert is distrained by a horse.

The same puts in his place Ralph Ode against the same Edmund.

Pleas

Vigil of Trinity [5th June].

Edmund Carter complains of Gilbert le Ferrour that on Whit-Monday he acquired from Gilbert a horse, value 14*sh.*, of which sum he attorned John Proffete, his debtor in 11*sh.*, to be paid to Gilbert, and the said Gilbert has stood to the same 11*sh.* And Edmund was prepared to satisfy him in respect of the remaining 3*sh.*, and is still, but the same detains the said horse, to the said Edmund's loss of half a mark.

The said Gilbert acknowledges the sale for 14*sh.*, but says he has been paid nothing, and will defend by his law. Pledges, Elyas fil. Johannis and Robert Elynor. They have a day.

John Aventerous complains of John Olyve for trespass, and declares that he is a poor man.

John Oldeman complains of John le Parker for debt and trespass. Pledges to prosecute, John Lamb and by his word. The said John le Parker attaches himself by five shillings of

silver to reply to the same until, etc., of his own accord, and without distraint, in name of pledge, because he could not find pledges, which 5*sh.* he has delivered to the Bailiffs.

Also John le Parker complains of the said John Oldeman for detention of goods, and to prosecute attaches himself by 5*sh.* until, etc., which of his own accord and without compulsion he has delivered to the Bailiffs in name of a pledge for the prosecution.

The said John Oldeman to reply finds pledges, John Lamb and R. Clerk, and they have a day the following Tuesday at 3 o'clock.

John Pyk complains of Richard le Wodehewere on plea of trespass, and finds pledges for prosecution, John Maydegod and by his word.

The said Richard to reply finds pledges, John le Mercer and John le Thecetere, and they have a day.

Pleas

Tuesday after Trinity in the same year at 3 o'clock [8th June].

John Olyve, for licence to come to terms with John Aventerous, in mercy, by pledge of
6*d.* William de Sarcino.

John Oldeman complains of John le Parker that when the former on the preceding day within the Court of the Abbey of St. John's, Colchester, was in peace, etc., the said John came and assaulted him with his fist, struck him on his chest, and damaged him against the King's peace to the loss of 3*sh.*, and thereto produces suit.

The said John le Parker comes, but as to the said complaint says nothing, but that an enquiry should be made, and John Oldeman claims the said reply because in form of law and according to the custom of the King's Court, etc., he declared his complaint, and the said John in Court makes no reply to the declaration nor contradicts the charge against him and seeks judgment as if it were undefended, and because the said John says nothing else to the complaint, it is considered that John Oldeman may recover 2*sh.* damages against John le Parker as if undefended,
6*d.* and the latter be in mercy.

John Oldeman complains of John le Parker that he sold the latter some cooked meat valued at 11½*d.* in Colchester Market, which he has not paid him, etc.

The said John le Parker denies the debt and is prepared, etc. Pledges, William de Sarcino and S. Serviens. They have a day, the same day at the hour of Vespers [4 o'clock].

Membrane 12.

John Oldeman was attached to reply to John le Parker, who alleges that on Friday before Trinity [4th June] in the 4th year of King Edward he delivered to J. Oldeman nine lampreys to sell for 9*sh.*, which he did, but withholds 12*d.* of the 9*sh.* and refuses to pay. The said John le Parker lays the damage at 10*sh.*

The said J. Oldeman acknowledges the delivery of the lampreys, but says he could not sell them for more than 8*sh.*, with which J. Parker was satisfied, as appears in the account.

They have a day, Monday after Feast of St. Barnabas [14th June].

Pleas, Colchester

"At the hour of Vespers" in the 4th year of King Edward.

Essoign.

John le Parker against John Oldeman on plea of debt, wherefore law, by Joseph Elyanor. They have a day.

Alexander Taverner complains of William Kyng, baker, for debt, and finds pledges to prosecute, Robert Olyver and John Dyer, William finding pledges, Robert Olyver and Robert Musse.

John de Tendr' complains of Robert Pyke for trespass, and finds pledges to prosecute, Adam de Leycestre and William Schaylard, Robert finding pledges, Stephen de Leuenhey and William Nichodemus. They have a day, etc.

Hundred of Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. Barnabas in the same year [14th June].

Essoigns.

Ralph Taylor, attorney of Hubert de Colecstre, against Nich. le Gros on plea of seizure and detention of goods, by Rob. de Subberiz.

The same Ralph against the same for detention of a she-goat, by Rob. Huwe.

Henry Denny, attorney of John le Pedder, against John Simund for trespass, by Nich. le Gros. 1st time.

Sarra de Peldon against Henry ate Felde for debt, by Richard de Parys. 2nd time.

Roger Prentiz, attorney of John le Parker, against John Oldeman for debt, wherefore law—by Will. le Tanner. 2nd time.

Bartholomew le Chaucer against Mariota de Subberyz for trespass, by John Bakkertel. 2nd time.

Richard, son of the said Bartholomew, against the same, by Rog. Bullok. 2nd time.

Joan, wife of the same, by Will. de Sarcino. 2nd time.

Sybil Belches against Hen. ate Felde for debt, by John Scot.

Joseph Elyanor, attorney of Philip de la Rokele, against William de Wythmersch for debt, wherefore judgment, by Hen. de Leycestre. 1st time.

John Pyk against Richard le Wodehewere for trespass, by William Clerk.

Roger Prentiz, attorney of John le Parker, against John Oldeman for trespass, wherefore law, by Roger Daveys. 2nd time.

Matilda ate Hyde against John Persoun for detention of cattle, by Adam de Leycestre. 1st time.

Roger le Wodehewere, attached to reply to John Pyk on the charge of assaulting him on Sunday after Whitsunday opposite his tenement near Suthgate.

The said Richard pleads not guilty. An enquiry ordered.

6d. John Oldeman, for not prosecuting John le Parker, is in mercy.

It is testified by the Sub-bailiff that John Parsoun is not yet distrained to reply to Matilda ate Hyde on the charge of detention of cattle. A further order is made.

Richard le Forceter appears against Adam le Orloger to hear record and judgment of default which the latter made, etc., as appears above. Judgment is respited till next Hundred, Monday after Feast of St. John the Baptist.

id. John Oldeman, for licence to come to terms with Peter Wylde, in mercy.

A day was given between John de Tendr', plaintiff, and Rob. Pyke, defendant, to next Hundred, without essoign.

6d. John Maymund, for licence to come to terms with John de Tendr', in mercy, by pledges, Will. Nichodemus and Will. de Sarcino.

Roger Prentiz, attorney of John le Parker, appears against John Oldeman and his law, and the said John fails in his law. Therefore it is considered that John le Parker may recover against the said John 12*d.* as principal and 10*sh.* for damages, and the said John is in mercy, by Will. Nichodemus and Will. de Sarcino. Afterwards Roger remits the 10*sh.* for 2*sh.* which John Oldeman has recovered against J. le Parker, and for the 12*d.* has found pledges as above.

Robert le Longe appears against Roger Carter, who, being called, came not nor essoigned. Therefore in mercy and his pledges, and he is to find better.

Alex. Taverner complains of William Kyng, baker, that he sold corn to the latter last Easter, value 13*sh.*, which he ought to have paid on Ascension Day, but did not, and still withholds it.

William acknowledges that he owes the 13*sh.* Alexander may therefore recover it, and damages half a mark, and William is in mercy, by pledges, Roger Daveys and Richard Pegon.

John Ballok for licence to come to terms with John Oldeman, is in mercy. Pledge, William de Sarcino.

Ralph Wade, for trespass against Simon, sub-bailiff to the sergeant, when he summoned him to do his guard at Heuedgate on Monday after Feast of St. Barnabas, half a mark, and at the instance of certain friends the half mark is respited, but if hereafter he offend against any Bailiff, the said half mark shall be levied from his goods, and for this trespass gives 6*d.*, by his pledges, Roger Wade and Roger Tynnot, and bailed them to Simon in respect of the half mark to be paid at the Feast of St. John the Baptist [24th June].

ENQUIRY made by Robert Gest and his fellows, who say that Joan, wife of William Slayare, raised hue and cry on William, son of the same William, unjustly on Sunday after Feast of St. Barnabas [13th June]. Therefore she is in mercy.

They say also that the wife of Sampson Fullo raised hue and cry on Ralph Raven justly on the same day. Therefore Ralph is in mercy.

They say also that Avelyna Bukkes and her two daughters, Joan Grayday, Margery Lawys, Joan fil. Carpentarii, Margery de London, and Alice Hitte are accustomed to reap and mow grass and rushes in the meadows of Elyas fil. Johannis, Robert Olyver, John de la Forde, Warin fil. Willelmi, etc. It is therefore ordered that they be attached against the next Court to reply.

Membrane 12 *verso.*

Richard le Forceter appears against Adam le Orloger to hear record and judgment on default, which the same Adam made on Friday in Whitsun Week as appears above enrolled, on plea of detention of goods to the value of £40, and request delivery to be made to him of a certain ship, with the tackle, which was valued by Roger Juscard, Peter de Aseton, John Davy, John Hust, John Simund and Alexander de Merseya, jurors, at 9 marks, with the tackle and whole apparatus belonging to the same ship, and the goods and chattels in the same valued by the same at 7*sh.*, namely, 112 quarters of coal, on account of the default abovesaid, in part of his demand of the said £40, according to mercantile law as appears above, etc.

The said Adam comes and says that the abovesaid default ought not to be prejudged without his answer (if the said Richard wishes to say anything against him) being admitted, and says that the said Richard is in Court and makes no proposition against him. And Adam is prepared to answer in Court, and therefore, as Richard alleges nothing, he seeks judgment from Richard as if he was not prosecuting. And on this, on default of suit, a day was given to the parties, etc.

On this came a certain William de Ryvers of Mersey and claimed the half of the said ship and of the goods, etc., in it, and demanded that no default which the said Adam made should be prejudged against him in Court unless admission be made to his proof of the half of the said ship, etc., and requests that proof may be made. And by assent of the said Richard le Forceter he was admitted to prove the same, for which a day was given. The said William did not appear and, according to law and the custom of the town, he proved his ownership to half the said ship by John Knyft, of Mersey, Robert Godhewe and Roger Ware, after which proof the Court orders delivery to be made of half the ship, etc., valued at 10 marks and the goods at 7 marks, as appears above.

It is ordered to summon Joan, wife of William Glayard, because she is a common litigious person, against the next Hundred.

It is ordered to levy on the goods and chattels of William Savage for 7*sh.*, in which he acknowledged he is bound to Roger Clerk, in full Hundred.

Richard le Wodehewer complains of John le Pyk on plea of trespass, and for the prosecution finds pledges, Elyas fil. Johannis and Richard Pegon. Therefore it is ordered, etc.

The said John, attached to reply, finds pledges, John Maydengod and Richard Pegon.

Walter Skyp complains of Elena Cupperes on a plea of trespass, and for the prosecution declares that he is poor. Therefore, etc.

Gilbert de Illeye complains of Thomas Taylor on a plea of trespass, and for the prosecution finds pledges, Henry Chitteproud and Robert Buk. Therefore it is ordered, etc.

The said Thomas, attached to reply, finds pledges, Henry de Leycestre and William Nichodemus, and the parties have a day.

Ralph Faber de Bradef' complains of Hugh Fareman on a plea of trespass, and for the prosecution finds pledges, Henry Denny and R. Pegon.

The said Hugh distrained by one ship.

Pleas

Monday after Feast of St. Botulph [21st June].

Essoigns.

Thomas Taylor against Gilbert de Illeye for trespass, by Henry de Leycestre. They have a day, etc.
Hugh Fareman against Ralph Faber of Bradef' on a plea of trespass, by John Vynger. 1st time.

Pleas

on the said Monday, after the hour of noon.

Essoign.

Hugh Fareman against Ralph Faber, etc., by Peter de Aseton. 1st time. The parties have a day.

Gilbert de Illeye complains of Thomas Taylor on an assault, etc., on him made in Wyrstrate, in St. Nicholas Parish, Colchester, to the loss of half a mark.

The said Thomas denies it and asks for an enquiry, which is ordered.

Pleas

Same day, at Vespers.

Essoign.

Hugh Fareman against Ralph Faber, by Simon Prille. 3rd time.

Isakk, son of Adam de Castre, complains of Amice, son of Jordan Olyver, on plea of trespass, finding pledges to prosecute, Ralph Ode and Joseph Elyanor. Therefore, etc., and he puts Ralph Ode in his place.

ENQUIRY made by Peter de Harlyngg and his fellows, jurors, says that [Thomas Taylor] did assault Gilbert [de Illeye], and the latter may recover damages, 6*d*., and Thomas be in mercy,
6*d*. by pledges, William Clerk and Henry de Leycestria.

Ralph Faber complains of Hugh Fareman that he assaulted him with a stick and sword at Sowenewode within the liberty of Colchester, to the loss of 100*sh*.

The said Hugh denies the assault, and an enquiry being asked for, it is granted, the parties to await the enquiry, by John de la Forde and W. Clerk.

The same Hugh puts in his place John de la Forde against the said Ralph, the latter appointing Henry Denny.

Robert le Knyft complains of Walter Geffrey for debt, and for the prosecution finds pledges, William de Sarcino and William Nichodemus.

The same William is distrained by a cloth (pannus) until, etc, They have a day, etc., the same day at Vespers.

Pleas

Tuesday [22nd June], at Vespers.

Essoign.

Robert le Knyft against Walter Geffrey on plea of debt, by William de Sarcino. The parties have a day, etc.

Walter Geffrey was distrained by a woollen cloth to reply to Robert le Knyf, of Ardleye, on a plea of debt, etc., Robert ultimately finding pledges, John Tanner and John de Ardleye.

[*There is no membrane numbered* 13 *and the dates run on*].

Membrane 14.

Still concerning the Hundred next after the Feast of the Translation of St. Thomas, M. [7th July, 1311].

Still as before it is ordered to distrain Amice, relict of John Colyn, to reply to Isaac, son of Adam de Castre, on a plea of trespass.

John Hotfot entered the "Burgage" of Colchester, on the same day taking the usual oaths and finding pledges, William Clerk, Warin de Welle, William Nichodemus, and Roger Tanner.

Fine, 40*d*.

William Berle attached to reply to Walter Skyp on a plea of trespass finds pledges, Elyas fil. Johannis and William de Sarcino. They have a day, etc.

Pleas

Tuesday after Translation of St. Benedict [13th July].

Essoign.

Walter Skyp against William Berle, by Hugh Baggard. The same William Berle puts in his place William de Sarcino against the same Walter.

Pleas

Wednesday after Translation of St. Benedict [14th July].

William Berle attached to reply to Walter Skyp, that while he was at Botulphesbregg, within the liberty of Colchester, in peace with the King and the Bailiffs, etc., the said William came up and assaulted him, to the loss, etc., of 5*sh*., etc.

The said William comes and defends, and denies the charge, and is prepared to defend by his law, pledges to await the law, Joseph Elyanore and William de Sarcino, and they have a day.

On Sunday before the Feast of St. Margaret [18th July], Will., son of Will. Vale, and Juliana his wife, brought the King's writ open against Walter Fowke and Sarra his wife in these words: Edward, King of England, etc., to the Bailiffs of Margaret, the Queen of England, of the Hundred of Colchester, Greeting. We order you without delay to hold "full right" to

Will., son of Will. Vale, and Juliana his wife, in respect of a messuage with appurtenances in Colchester, which he claims to hold of your said Lady [the Queen] by free service of one penny per annum for all service, which Walter Fowke and Sarra his wife forced from them. And unless you do, etc. Dat. at Berwick 1st July, 4th year of our reign [1311].

To execute this brief the said William and Juliana found pledges; William Clerk and William de Leycestre, and it is ordered to summon Walter and Sarra against the next Hundred, viz., Vigil of St. Laurence [9th Aug.].

The said William and Juliana put in their place William Clerk in the said plea.

On the same day it was agreed in full assembly and ordered that Richard Musse and his companions suspected of being engaged in thieving, and who had been caught by the "custodes" and Constables in Heuedstrete, should be detained in custody till the next Gaol Delivery. Those present when the order was made were Robert Olyver, John de Forda, Matthew le Verrer, Adam de Castro, Richard Norreys, William Clerk, John Tanner, Henry Denny, Nich. le Gros, William de Sarcino, William de Leycestre, Roger Pulle, Richard ate Gate, John Davy, John Lotun, Adam de Cog', Richard de Wyseton, Edmund Grimbaud, William Gray, Robert le Longe, Peter Wylde, Peter Harlynge, and many others.

Thomas de Depeden, attached to reply to John Peres on a plea of trespass, finds pledges, Elyas ate Hegge and Alan Faber, and if he should be committed, to reply on the principal charge, when the damages, etc.

The same Thomas puts in his place Henry Seffar to reply to John Peres.

Elyas ate Hegge complains of John Pynchoun on plea of debt, and to prosecute finds pledges, viz., Alex. Tabernar and William Nichodemus. Therefore, etc.

The said John distrained by chattels, value 100*sh.*, viz., woollen cloth, blue and russet, which remain in the hands of Henry Seffar by delivery of the Bailiffs until, etc.

Hugh Butcher* finds pledges to keep the peace with Stacy la Kallemakestere for threats made to him, viz., Bartholomew Textor, John Alice, Thomas Ballok and William Nichodemus.

Tuesday, on the Feast of St. Margaret [20th July], John Aventerous struck and wounded Hugh Butcher* to the shedding of blood so that his death is a matter of doubt, on which account he was seen by the Coroner with the neighbours, and as it was testified by the Coroner and the neighbours that there was no imminent peril of death, the same John was attached by the Bailiffs and delivered into their custody, William de Mullesh', William Persale, John le Warener, Peter le Wylde, Alfred Butcher* and Adam Scot to be answerable for his body as if he was in custody.

A day was given between Elyas ate Hegge, plaintiff, and John Pynchoun, defendant, to Wednesday following, etc.

Pleas

Wednesday after Feast of St. Margaret [21st July].

John Pynchoun distrained by woollen cloth, valued at 100*sh.*, as appears above, to reply to Elyas ate Hegge on plea of debt, etc.

Elyas appoints as his attorney H. Denny.

Juliana Stumbel complains of John Raven, and for prosecution pledges himself as he is a poor man. Therefore, etc.

Hubert de Colcestre complains of William, called Petifraunk, on a plea of debt, and finds pledges, John Sacok and Richard Pegon. Therefore.

Matthew Miller complains of Richard Miller on plea of trespass, and pledges himself as he is poor. Therefore, etc.

The said Richard, attached to reply to the same, finds pledges, Roger Blaber and Richard Pegon. Day given.

* Carnifex.

3d. John Raven for licence to come to terms with Juliana Stumbel, in mercy.

cancelled e 'extra.' Matthew the miller, because he withdraws the charge against Richard the miller, in mercy, 3d. by pledge of Richard de Lega, clerk.

Peter Musse, faber, for licence to come to terms with Salaman Faber, in mercy, by pledge of Henry Sekallard.

Walter Welibeten came before the Bailiffs and acknowledged that he was held to Sayher de Dony[land] . . . payable yearly to the same or his executors, 12*d.* by two payments of 6*d.* each, and for due payment finds pledges, John Rotarius and John the miller.

Membrane 14 *verso.*

Hundred

Monday after Feast of St. Mary Magdalen in the 5th year of King Edward [26th July, 1311].

Essoigns.

Thomas Godfelawe against John le Lambherde on a plea of trespass, by Richard Sayher. 1st time.

Henry Denny, attorney of Ralph Faber, against Hugh Fareman on a plea of trespass, wherefore an enquiry by John Boure. 3rd time.

William de Sarcino, attorney of William Berle, against Walter Skyp on a plea of trespass, wherefore law by Henry ate Felde.

Nicholas le Gros against Hubert de Colec[estre] on plea of detention of a she-goat, by Stephen Marcioun. 3rd time.

The same Hubert against the same on plea of detention of cattle, by Bartholomew ate Cornhell. 3rd time.

William de Whithmersch against Philip de la Rokele on plea of debt, wherefore judgment by Rob. de Subery. 1st time.

John Simund against John Pedde on plea of trespass, by Ralph Ode. 1st time.

John de Lambherde against Thomas Godfelawe on plea of trespass, by William de Sarcino. 1st time.

William Clerk, attorney of William, Vicar of Thorp, against Henry ate Felde on a plea of debt, by W. de Plumsted. 2nd time.

John Peres against Thomas de Depeden on plea of trespass, by Gilbert le Gaunt. 1st time.

3d. John Raven for licence to come to terms with Juliana Stumbell, in mercy, by pledges.

3d. Matthew Miller for the same with Richard Miller, in mercy, by pledge of Richard Clerk.

Thomas Bouannel, by his attorney, came on the said day and demanded execution of judgment late given on a plea of debt, £10 and 15*sh.*, which the same Thomas recovered against Roger Dyer,* together with 100*sh.* for damages, wherein the same Roger was cast in the last Hundred, because he had been here to show if he had anything for him or could say why the said 100*sh.* should not be obtained from the goods and chattels of the same Roger and delivered to the said Thomas.

The said Roger says that the said process or plea was pleaded and held by writ of the late King Edward I., and is made null and void by his death so that execution cannot be made without special writ of the present King. And demands judgment as the said process was begun by precept of the Kyng, and annulled by his death, if without special precept in the same plea, they should be able to proceed further to execution of judgment up to the point of being able to the levy of the said damages. The said Roger puts forward this exception to gain or lose.

And the said Thomas asks for judgment as the said plea was begun and brought to final judgment by the King's writ, and nothing remains but execution to levy the damages if, without the [now] King's writ and notwithstanding the death of the late King. And for the execution of the abovesaid judgment, they ought not to proceed to the levying of the damages. And in default of suitors the said judgment is respited to the next Hundred, viz., Monday before Feast of St. Laurence, and a day was given, etc., for them to be present to hear judgment on the said exceptions which they have taken and put forward for gain or loss, etc.

* Tinctor.

It was recorded by the Bailiffs that Geoffrey de Hadleye on Monday after Translation of St. Thomas came before the Bailiffs and acknowledged that he is held to Dom. John Betoun in 3*sh.* sterling, wherefore it was ordered that the sum be raised from the goods and chattels of the said Geoffrey so that they might be there in the Hundred for delivery to the same John, and the said G. came and on this begged for a truce up to the next Hundred that they might make peace, otherwise process must follow.

Robert de Lepham complains of Reginald de la Wade on plea of debt, £20, and for the prosecution finds pledges, namely, Roger Wygge and Edmund Grymbaud. Therefore it is ordered, etc. And they have a day to the next Hundred.

John le Celer complains of Richard le Bowyer for an assault, etc., with a certain [weaver's tool], committed by him on the said John at his shop in Colchester market, to the loss of 5*sh.*

The said Richard comes and defends, and says that he found the said John striking his [Richard's] wife and to deliver her from the said John's hands he drove him away lest he should do more damage, and did no other damage to him, and he asks for an enquiry. Therefore an enquiry is ordered, etc.

John Skinner* complains of John Byles on a plea of trespass, finding pledges to prosecute, Stephen le Specer and Richard Pegon. Therefore it is ordered, etc.

The said John Byles finds pledges to answer, John Rotarius and Walter Textor, and a day was given.

John Motekyn complains of Peter Wylde on plea of trespass, and to prosecute finds pledges, William de Plumsted and John [Betoun] "Rector Miland." Therefore it is ordered, etc. Pledges of Peter, Simon Serviens and William Nichodemus.

Mariota de Subberyz complains of John Carpenter and of Roysia his wife on plea of trespass, etc.

Hubert de Colec' complains of Nicholas le Gros on plea of detention of cattle, and for prosecution finds pledges, Roger Prille and John Mercer. Therefore, etc.

The said Nicholas to reply finds pledges, Henry Denny and Simon Toche, and a day was given, etc.

John Motekyn puts in his place John, rector of the Church of Miland, against Peter Wylde on plea of trespass.

William Basse, John Passelewe and John Guttere complain of John ate Bowie, skinner, on plea of trespass. Pledges, Henry le Longe and Richard Pegon. Therefore it is ordered to distrain Edmund Skinner and Nicholas Skinner, who remain to reply to same, etc.

Henry Denny brought a writ against John le Gage, Agnes his wife and William, the latter's son, in these words. Edward, by the grace of God, etc., Henry Denny has complained to us that John Gage and Agnes his wife and William, son of the same Agnes, have unjustly and without judgment raised a certain house in Colchester to the nuisance of his free tenement in the same town, since the first sailing of the late King Henry into Gascony, and therefore we order that you hear the said statement and cause justice to be done, lest he claim more in default of justice. Witn. myself at Berwick-on-Tweed . . . . 4th year.

The said Henry finds pledges, Thomas de Rattlesden and Richard de Hadleye, etc.

[*This Membrane is imperfect at this point.*]

End of Roll 1.

* Pelliparius.

Roll II.

Roll of Courts OF THE BOROUGH OF COLCHESTER

In the time of JOSEPH CLERICUS and WILLIAM DE SARTRIA (?), anno regni regis Edwardi quinto.

Membrane 1.

Willelmus Pinkeneye complains of Richard de Waltham on plea of trespass, and finds pledges to prosecute, William Nichodemus and John de Wytham, tanner.

The said Richard finds pledges to reply, Henry Denny and William Nichodemus.

Margery de Gernemut complains of the said Richard for debt, finding pledges, John Tanner and William Nichodemus.

The above William and Margery appoint Richard de Leyre their attorney.

Thomas Godfelawe appoints Richard Sayher against John Lambherde on plea of trespass.

Gervase Cissor complains of Roger le Bole on plea of trespass, and finds pledges, Warin Castellan and Thomas Marescall, the said Roger's pledges being Edward atte Pette and Peter de Harlyngg.

Pleas, Colchester

THURSDAY, THE MORROW OF ST. MICHAEL, 5TH YEAR OF KING EDWARD.

Roger le Bole for licence to come to terms with Gervase Cissor, in mercy, by pledge of Edward ate Pette.

Agnes de Ardleye charged by the Bailiffs and Commonalty that she is in the habit of selling at her tavern to foreigners wandering by night and against the peace, etc., and that by their drunkenness and noise the neighbours are frightened. Agnes denies the charge, but on an enquiry made by Adam de Cogg', Richard le Bowyere, etc., she is found guilty. To come up for judgment on the following Monday at the Lawhundred.

William de Leycestre complains of John Kyng, shepherd, on plea of debt. Pledges, Simon Serviens, Richard Clericus.

The said John, attached to reply, finds pledges, John Tinctor and William Nichodemus.

Mariota de Subberiz complains of John Carpenter and Roysia his wife for detention of a cap, and pleads poverty. Therefore, etc.

The same Mariota complains of John and Roysia on plea of trespass, and pleads poverty. Therefore, etc.

Law Hundred, Colchester

MONDAY AFTER FEAST OF ST. MICHAEL, IN THE 5TH YEAR OF EDWARD [OCT. 4TH, 1311].

Essoigns.

Henry Denny, attorney of John Peres, against Thomas de Depeden, trespass, by Richard de Leyre.
Gilbert de Dyham against John de Terlyng, by Adam de Leycestre, trespass.
Philip Ryper against Simon Primeth, debt, by Robert de Subberiz.
William Clericus, attorney of Will. Vale and Juliana his wife, against Walter Frege and Sarra his wife, trespass, by John Viel.
Walter Frege against the same, by Philip de la Rokele.
Sarra, wife of the same Walter, against the same, by John Gage.
Henry Sefare, attorney of Thomas de Depeden, against John Peres, trespass, by Ralph Ode.
William Pykeneye against Richard de Waltham, trespass, by Richard Carpenter.

Margery de Gernemue against the same Richard, debt, by Henry Denny.
Elyas, son of John, attorney of William de Whithmersh, against Philip de la Rokele on plea of debt, by Roger Tinctor.
Alice, relict of John de Stanwey, "de communi," by Warin fil. Willelmi.
Roger Clericus for the same cause, by William Alfred.
John de Leycestre for the same cause, by William de Leycestre.

Richard le Bowyere and Elyanore his wife complain of John le Celer on plea of trespass, finding pledges, Henry Denny and Walter le Celer.

The said John being attached, finds pledges, Geoffrey Pulle and John Ballok.

Richard, Prior of St. Botulph, Colchester, puts in his place Richard de Teye, against Philip de Brome.

A day was given for Henry Denny *v.* John le Gage, Agnes his wife and William her son, concerning a nuisance of their free tenement.

Also for John Simund and John Pedder.

Also for John Passelewe, William Busse and John Gunter *v.* John atte Bowre.

Richard Carpenter for coming to terms with Agnes de Rokkynshaum, in mercy, by pledges of Richard Clericus and Henry Denny.

John le Lambherde complains of Thomas Godfelawe that he with violence and arms came to Le Elde hethe in the suburb of Colchester and destroyed his fences so that the neighbours' cattle came and spoilt his pasture to the damage of half a mark.

The said Thomas denies the charge, and an enquiry is ordered for the next Law Hundred.

Peter le Wylde for coming to terms with John Motekyn, in mercy, pledge, Ernald de Mounteny.

Day for the case between Henry atte Felde and William, attorney of William, Vicar of Thorpe.

The sub-bailiffs declaring that John de Terlyng was distrained by ten sheep to reply to the charge of Gilbert de Dynham on plea of trespass, but that he would not defend himself, it was ordered to take more, etc.

John Kyng attached to reply to William de Leycestre on plea of debt, namely, that whereas some cattle in the custody of the said John on the moor of the said William, in Eststrate, in Colchester suburb on several occasions, owing to the bad custody, did damage to the value of 4*sh.* and more, the neighbours taxing the damage at 2*sh.*, the said John has not yet paid.

The said John says that the view of the neighbours was made by Adam de Cogg', John Gentilman, John Dyer, and Humphrey Tannator, who did not know the facts, etc., and he asks for an enquiry, which finds that John is not in fault but William, who is, in mercy, on the false charge.

It is put in evidence that William Hendy lies sick and cannot appear to receive judgment for breaking the assize of bread. He is respited to the next hundred.

Stephen de Leuenhey, for coming to terms with William de Sarcino, in mercy, by pledge of Adam de Cogg'.

Elena la Gerdlere, convicted of being a common litigious person, is in mercy, by pledge of Wm. de Leycestre, and warned not to repeat the offence.

Mariota de Subberiz charges John Carpenter and Roysia, his wife, for detaining her goods, who, being distrained by a blue over-tunic [mantle], and not appearing, it is ordered to take more, etc.

Agnes de Ardleye, charged with being in the habit of selling ale to night wanderers, puts herself in mercy, by pledge of Ralph Ode and William de Leycestre (?).

Membrane 1. *verso.*

Inquisition taken on the following articles by William de Plumsted, Robert Olyver, John de Forda, Richard Foreys, John Tinctor, Roger Tinctor, John le Wolef, Edmund Grimbaud, Edmund le Chaloner, Peter le Wylde, John atte Leye, Roger Pulle, John le Gage, Thomas le Marescal, Henry

le Belch, John le Cok, William le Kyng, Geoffrey atte Dyche and Hugh le Poltere, Jurors, who say on their oath, that

Emma de Takelye, with justice, raised hue on Thomas Dod and Hamo le Parker for breaking the said Emma's door with a stone, etc. In mercy.

Henry, servant of Ralph Ode, with justice, raised hue on Richard le Wodehewer for an assault.

The following, with justice, raised hue:

Joan la Ventoser on Henry de Leycestre, assault.

Richard le Wodehewere on John Pyk, assault.

Gervase Cissor on Roger Bole, assault

Robert de Neyland (unjustly) on William de Plumsted, for distraining on the said Robert in a stall which he held of him.

Hubert de Colec[estria] on Nicholas le Gros, for assaulting him and taking by force his "colbolum" and stoning him with stones, by which by a blow of the stone he lost a certain "burs[am] vocatam Hamundays."*

They also say that Simon Redebrith broke the park of John de la Forde, driving his sheep out of fold; in mercy.

That Ralph, lad (garcio) of Hubert de Colecestria, raised hue justly on Nicholas le Gros, Oliver fil. Elye, Hugh Peverel, his servants (manupasti), for assault; in mercy.

Also, Nicholas le Gros raised hue justly on the serjeants of our Lord the King for driving his cattle, by pledge attached for him at the suit of Hubert de Colecestria; in mercy.

And the said serjeants justly raised hue on the said Nicholas for rescuing his cattle emparked by them.

That the said Nicholas, by force and arms, made an assault on the same Hubert, in Bromfeld, that he justly raised hue.

That John Thurgon justly raised hue on the said Nicholas for striking him when in the King's service, driving his cattle, etc. Also, that Mariota de Subberiz justly raised hue on Roysia, wife of John Carpenter, for stealing his cap.

That Nicholas, vicar of Ardleye, entered the close of Robert Olyver and carried off a little dog of his.

That Sayher le Parmenter has appropriated a certain empty space in the market place, but by what warrant is not known; ordered to come to the next Hundred to show why, etc.

Forestallings.—The following are common forestallers of fish and poultry [and are in mercy]:

Thomas Cocus	Joan Oldemannes
Roger le Somenour	Alice la Fayre
Roger Daveys	Agnes, wife of Sacoke
Roger, sometime lad of John Oldeman	Note Godwyf
Hawota Mundes	Margaret de Gernemuth
John Lamb	Sarra de Redyngg
Margery la Smythes	Petronilla Donnyng
Joan la Hukkestere	Petronilla la Barkere

The following were said to brew and sell beer contrary to the assize, viz. a gallon [lagena] for iid.:

The wife of Richard de Colne	Wife of William de Mulsham
,, Thomas Tynnot	,, Ralph Seffar
Margery Byger	,, Robert Parles
Rycholda Bawes	,, John Carpenter

* I am unable to throw any light on these words.—I,H.J.

The wife of Sayher Parmenter
„ John de Teye
„ John Loton
„ John Gyles
„ Robert Barbour
„ John London
„ Tho. de Frenyngham
„ Adam de Castre
Joan la Warneres
The wife of Roger Pulle
„ Guy Carnifex
„ Tho. Dolle
„ Richard de Wyseton
„ William Smelt
„ John Edward
Leticia de Estorp
Wife of Alex. Taberner
„ Harry Seffar
„ Peter de Harlyngg
„ John Vyel
„ John Davy
„ Henry Tinctor
„ John Menewy
„ William Molendinarius
„ Robert Mercator
Joan ate Hogate
Wife of Simon Rodebrith
„ Ralph Mariote
Sabina Gayland
Alice Vinche
Alice Sayheres
Wife of Richard Sayher
„ Ralph Ode
. . . . . .
Emmota Peres
Wife of John Musse
Wife of Matthew le Verrer, for selling a gallon (lagena) for 1*d.*
„ Richard ate Gate
„ Robert ate Watere

Wife of John Stonard
„ Simon Textor
„ William Profale
„ Gilbert le Gaunter
„ Simon fil. Bartholomei
„ John Raven
„ William Tanator
„ Robert Whitfot
„ Christina Polytes
„ John Somer
„ Henry Prentiz
„ Saher de Donyland
„ Henry Denny
„ William Gray
„ Adam de Cogg'
„ Henry Couteprud
„ Robert de Derham
„ Thomas Marescall
„ John de Tendr[ing]
„ Gilbert Brook
„ John Roger
„ Edmund Pelliparius
„ Robert Turnebatyn
Amicia la Lavendere
William de Leycestre
Wife of John Sacok
„ Richard Clericus
„ William Pottere
Johanna, relict of Pennesone
Juliana Roger de Hecham
Sarra de Peldon
Wife of John Hust
„ Geoffrey Dounyng
„ Peter le Salter
Joan Tony
Emma Dounyng
Alice Gage
Alice, wife of Barthol. le Romere
Juliana Pest
Avelyna Boge

Membrane 2.

(List of breakers of the assize of beer continued.)

Wife of Philip de Aseton
Dyonisia de Cadenham
Wife of Gilbert Pyk
Wife of Gerard le Hosiere
Wife of Gilbert de Illeye

Wife of Hugh Pottere
Wife of Simon Martin
Wife of Richard Thurstayn
Wife of Robert Baw
Wife of John Pambel

Wife of Ernald Monteny
Wife of Richard Heued
Wife of Ralph Clericus
(Cancelled) Wife of Richard Dyker, Gannoker*
Wife of Robert le Longe
Mabbe La Dyeres
Kemma Scriuener
Elycia Costantyn
Wife of Gilbert Fullo

Forestallers of Dairy, Apples, and Pears:

Alice Fayr
Note Lotekes
Alice Frebnes
Notekyn la Carteres

Forestallers of Fish and Herrings.

Nicholas Smart
John Hust
Walter Wynchelot
John le Cartere
John Scrotyn
Avice la Schepherdes

The following raised hue justly:

Reyna, wife of Robert Justise, on John Hust, for striking her.

John Lamb on Geoffrey de Stebbyngge, for an assault and for breaking (?) (amputavit) the windows of his shop with drawn sword.

Margery, wife of the said John Lamb, on John Scot raised hue unjustly because the husband of Margery struck the said John Scot.

That Richard de Colne stopped up a road in the suburb of Colchester, near Hamo Levegor's tenement, leading from Stanweya to Colchester, to the nuisance of the neighbours.

That John Persoun stopped up a pathway leading from Colchester to Colebaynesland, to the nuisance, etc.

That William Pentecost had a well dug near Northbridge, spoiling the road, etc.

That the same William raised a fence near the river bank where there had been no fence, without leave of the Bailiffs and Commonalty. In mercy.

That Robert de Brithlingese is in the habit of retaining the toll from corn coming into the market place for sale, and receives it in his house.

Cancelled. That the wife of Robert le Parmenter is in the habit of knowingly selling abominable [abhominabilem] beer to men of the town and others foreigners to their great loss and scandal of the town.

Cancelled. That William Roger is a common fisherman on the river bank, and is in the habit of selling the fish he catches to the prejudice of the whole commonalty and the destruction of the river bank.

That Guy Cuthaud and John Leycestre are in the habit of doing the same.

That John Unwyne has no free tenement by which he may claim common of pasture, yet he overloads the common pasture. Ordered to distrain his cattle.

The following commit the same offence:

Pleasance Aylmar
Simon Rodeberth
Petronilla Snelles
William Kyng
Matilda Richold
Sayher Heyward
Geoffrey ate Dych
Robert de Ardleye
John le Briwere

* Tavern or Inn Keeper [Halliwell].

Enclosing Common.

That all the arable lands of Nicholas le Gros, beyond the water towards the North, are common lands, from the 1st of August to the Feast of the Purification [2nd February], when the lands may be sown, and they have been accustomed to be common from time out of mind, especially in the time of Robert le Gros, grandfather of the said Nicholas, and of Simon, the latter's father, which Nicholas indeed has now enclosed them and made them several, selling the pasture to Walter de Chibbewe and enclosing the lands so that the commoners cannot share. Therefore in mercy, and the said lands to be laid open.

That John Persoun has enclosed a croft near Colebayneslond which the commoners use in open season. In mercy, lands to be laid open.

[Presentments against Millers.]

That John Galyngale, who holds the mill called Northmelne, takes no payment, as ordered by the King's Marshal, to the loss, etc., of those grinding there.

That the same John permits his millers there, by means of measures not proved or sealed, to take less heavy toll from those grinding. In mercy, and his measures to be assessed and sealed.

That the Prior of St. Botolph and John Ayllot, who hold Meddelmelne, do the same.

That the Abbot of St. John, who holds Stokkesmelne, does the same.

That the Prior of St. Botolph, tenant of Estmelne, does the same.

That the said Prior, who holds by John Sacok, his farmer, the Newmelne, and the mill near Wyke, does the same.

The said Abbot, tenant of Bournemelne, does the same.

That a certain Nicholas has stopped up a path near the river bank leading from Meddelmelne to Rokeffen (?), by raising a ditch at the top of his meadow called Holmes, where was a stile for passers by, etc. In mercy.

cala. That William Springold has dug clay in a lane called Holelane, to the loss and nuisance of the neighbours. In mercy.

Membrane 2 verso.

[Measures to be Sealed.]

Granted and ordered by the aforesaid Jurors for the common utility of all the Burgesses, that all measures whatsoever for the selling and buying of merchandise, viz., the gallon, the potell and quarter, bushel, half-bushel and all other inferior measures with which any merchandise is sold or bought, or toll taken, are to be taken, when the Bailiff shall see good, and assessed, and if necessary sealed again, and those not sealed to be sealed with the seal of Commonalty.

Also agreed that all ells, and all weights, be treated in the same way. No one to use any weights, etc., not sealed, under penalty.

It is ordered that two men from each ward be sworn to overlook the aforesaid premises as often as need be, and all faults be presented to the Bailiffs.

It is also presented that all the vintners have broken the assize, and have sold with unsealed measures, viz. choppes*, *viz.* Richard ate Gate 2*sh.*, John Lotun 12*d.*, Matthew le Verrer 2*sh.*, Alexander Tabernarius 12*d.*, Roger Pulle 12*d.*, (cancelled) Richard Pleysote.

It is forbidden and ordered that no butcher of the Borough buy any meat from outside butchers to sell as the outside butchers sell.

John Campe, pledge of Nicholas Carter, for trespass against William de Sartria and Commonalty, etc., 12*d.*

* Perhaps akin to "choppin," a North country word for a quart measure.—I H.J.

Defaulting suitors at the aforesaid Law Hundred:

The Abbot of St. John's, Colchester	Robert fil. Walteri
The Abbot of St. Edmund's	Benedict de Cokefeud
The Abbot of Coggeshall	Master Richard de Newport
The Prior of the Hosp. of St. Cross	John de Frennyngham
The Abbess of Berkyng	Roger de Hevenyngham
The Abbess of Mallyngg	Simon Toche
The Prioress of Rertheryngfeld	Richard de Geywod

Pleas

On Wednesday before Feast of St. Osyth in the aforesaid year [6th Oct.].

Essoign.

John le Celer against Richard le Bowyere and Eleanor his wife, for trespass, by . . .
That subsequently he appeared by his essoign against the said Eleanor who did not appear. Her pledges in mercy.

Adam le Sowehaler complains of Geoffrey de Hekeford—trespass—finding pledges Richard Faber and Peter Vinger—Geoffrey's pledge is William Nichodemus—asserts poverty, etc.

Pleas

Monday after Feast of St. Denis [11th Oct., 1311].

Geoffrey de Hekeford against Adam le Sowehaler, by Robert ate Bregge; they have a day.

Henry de Leycestre and Joan his wife complains of John de Lyncolne and Margery his wife—trespass. Pledges, John Maydengod and Richard Pegon.

The said John and Margery attached by their body—for bloodshed and hue against the peace—the parties have a day, viz., the same day at vespers.

Later particulars of the charge, viz., of assault, are given. It took place in Wyrstrate, in St. Botolph's parish. The enquiry taken by John le Mercer, John Maydengod, etc. John and Margery found guilty of raising hue without cause. In mercy.

Philip le Gerdler and Agatha his wife complain of John le Mercer and Henry Algod—trespass. Pledge, J. Colleton. The said John and Henry found pledges, Henry de Leycestre and John Maydengod.

Pleas

Tuesday after Feast of St. Denys [12th Oct.].

John le Mercer and Henry Algod appear against Agatha, wife of Philip le Gerdler, trespass. She not appearing is with her husband in mercy.

Agnes de Cogg' complains of Adam Whyting, trespass. Pledges, Warin fil. Willelmi and Edmund Grimbaud. Adam finds pledge W. Nichodemus.

Pleas

Feast of St. Calixtus [14th Oct.].

Adam Whyting for coming to terms with the said Agatha is in mercy.

Roger Alfred complains of Robert le Longe, debt, finding pledges Hubert de Colecestria, Roger Mercator.

The said Robert distrained by a pair of fuller's "forceps" [pincers, or scissors].

John Parles and Edmund le Chaloner, executors of the will of Matilda, widow of William le Chaloner, complain of Robert le Longe, debt, finding pledges, Richard Tinctor and Simon Serviens, the defendant's pledges being Hubert de Colecestria and Richard de Waltham.

Roger Alfred complains of John Lamb, debt. Pledges, Hubert de Colecestria, Roger Prall; the defendant's pledges being John de Leycestria and Richard Clericus.

John de Terlyngg attached to reply to Gilbert de Dynham, trespass, finds pledges, Peter Wylde and Richard Pegon.

Membrane 3.

Hundred of Colchester

Monday, Feast of St. Luke, in the 5th year of Edward [18th Oct.].

Essoigns.

Robert le Longe against Edmund le Chaloner and John Parles, executors of the will of William de Chaloner, debt, by Robert de Subberiz.
John Carpenter against Mariota de Subberiz, trespass.
Afterwards came. Henry Denny, attorney of John Peres, against Thomas de Depeden, trespass, by Will. de Leycestre.
Philip Ryper against Simon Pruneth, debt, by John Parles, because he is in the service of the king.
John Lamb against Roger Alfred, debt, by Edm. le Chaloner.
John de Terlyng against Gilbert de Dedham, trespass, by Richard de Leyre.
Gilbert de Dedham against the same John, trespass, by Peter le Wylde.

Thomas Godfelawe, for licence to come to terms with John Lambherde on a plea of trespass. In mercy. Pledges, Henry Denny and Richard Sayher.

John Pedder, for not prosecuting John Simund. In mercy.

John Gage, Agnes his wife and William, son of the said Agnes, for coming to terms with Henry Denny. In mercy, for nuisance of his free tenement.

Day given for suit of Mariota de Subberiz with John Carpenter and Roysia his wife for trespass and detention of a cap Up to the next hundred.

placitum terre. Also for suit of Will. Vale and Juliana his wife with Walter Frege and Sarra his wife, on plea of land.

Henry ate Felde complains of William, Vicar of Thorp, for debt, for food and drink supplied and keep of his horse.

The said William denies the charge and finds pledges, Elyas fil. Johannis and William Clericus.

William Pynkenye, by Richard Clericus, his attorney, complains of Richard de Waltham, trespass, viz., that he abused and struck him on the head, on Sunday after Michaelmas, at Estpond in Colchester suburb. The said Richard says that he only defended himself from the said William, who began the attack, and asks for an enquiry.

Richard de Waltham attached to reply to Margery de Gernemut, debt, viz., 11*sh.* borrowed from her in Eststrate, 3*sh.* 6*d.* of which he has paid, says that he does not owe the money and is ready to do his law. Pledges, Hubert de Colecestria and Roger Tinctor.

Thomas de Depeden, for unjust detention against John Peres, is in mercy. Ordered to levy from Thomas half a mark to the said John's use, which he recovered by verdict of the jury.

Geoffrey de Hekeford and Mabel his wife were attached to reply to Adam le Sowehaler on plea of trespass, viz., that as the latter was sitting at supper with his guests in a room below ground, Geoffrey and Mabel poured some stinking fish water through on to the table and spoilt the supper, etc., wilfully.

The said Geoffrey and Mabel plead not guilty and are acquitted, and Adam is in mercy for his false charge.

Still a day given for Hubert de Colecestria and Nich. le Gros for detention of cattle and a she-goat.

John Lamb appears before the Bailiffs and acknowledges that he is bound to Roger Alfred, clerk, in 14*sh.* 9*d.* on account of a loan.

William de Whithmersh, for retiring from his charge against Philip de Rokele, in plea of debt, is in mercy.

John atte Boure for licence to come to terms with John Passelewe, William Basse and John Guttere, on plea of trespass, in mercy, by pledge of Edmund Pelliparius.

Agnes, relict of Gilbert Agote and Thomas Curtays, executors of the will of the said Gilbert, were charged concerning a half-mark which Master Simon de Eybond bequeathed by will for repair of the Est Bridge, and which the same Gilbert received from William Prat, chaplain, executor of the said Simon. The said Agnes and Thomas say that they spent the money in the said repairs.

An enquiry by Robert de Walhawe, William Molendinarius, etc., acquits them on the grounds alleged by them.

The rest of this side of the membrane is nearly illegible, the only names visible being Thomas Mareschall, William Nichodemus, Robert Clericus, Adam Scot, Simon Serviens.

Membrane 3 *verso.*

Hundred of Colchester

Monday after Feast of SS. Simon and Jude, 5th Edward II. [1st Nov., 1311].

Essoigns.

Henry atte Felde against William, vicar of Thorp, debt, whence law by John Culling.
John de Terling against Gilbert de Dedham, trespass, by William le Mouner.
Thomas Cocus against John Ballok, trespass, by Richard Molendinarius.
Richard de Waltham against William Pinkeneye, trespass.

Hubert de Colecestre and Richard de Waltham, pledges of Robert le Longe, for not having the latter to reply to John Parles and Edmund le Chaloner, executors of the will of Matilda, widow of Will. le Chaloner, for whom they were bail, in mercy. Distraint ordered.

Walter Frege and Sarra his wife, for licence to come to terms with William Vale and Juliana his wife, on plea of land, in mercy.

Emmota Spistales and her pledges, for not prosecuting Simon Primneth, trespass, in mercy.

A day was given for the suit between Margery de Gernemut and Richard de Waltham up to the next Hundred, on a plea of debt, by request of the parties.

Also for suit between Hubert de Colecestre and Nicholas le Gros on plea of detention of cattle and a goat.

Still ordered to summon a good inquisition between the executors of Gilbert Agote and the Commonalty.

Still ordered to distrain Alexander de Merseya to reply to Richard Pegon on plea of trespass.

A day given to:

Mariota de Subberiz and Roysia, wife of John Carpenter.
Philip Ryper and Simon Primeth.

Joan, sister of Walter Taverner, complains of Alice la Rede on plea of trespass, and for prosecution asserts that he is poor. The said Alice attached to reply finds pledges, Peter Wylde and Simon Primeth. They have a day.

John Lamb for liberty to come to terms with Roger Lamb, in mercy.

William Savage surrenders for breaking the attachment made by order of the Bailiff, for 7*sh.*, in which he acknowledges he is bound to Roger Alfred, clerk. Therefore in mercy.

Pleas, Colchester

Wednesday after Feast of All Saints in the abovesaid year [3rd Nov.].

Essoign.

Joan, sister of Walter Taverner, against Alice la Rede, on plea of trespass, by Simon Barbiton.

Inquisition made at the instance of the Bailiffs concerning a hue raised between Joan, sister of W. le Taverner, and Alice la Rede, by Thomas Marescall and others, jurors, who say on their oath that the said Joan raised hue with justice, inasmuch as the said Alice assaulted and struck the said Joan.

On the same day Robert le Ban came into the presence of the Bailiffs and acknowledged that he is bound to John de Adburghton, for John le Ban his brother, in 30*sh.*, for sheep bought of him, payable at Colchester, in the house of Alice Prentiz, on Saturday before Feast of St. Thomas, without further delay.

Pleas, Colchester

Thursday after Feast of All Saints [4th Nov.]

Essoign.

Joan, sister of Walter Taverner, against Alice la Rede, on plea of trespass, by Robert ate Bregg. Case to be heard on Monday following.

Pleas, Colchester

Monday after Feast of All Saints [8th Nov.]

The above Joan accuses Alice of an assault with a water fork [furca aquatica] in Colchester market.

The jury find Alice guilty, and Joan may recover damages 2*sh.*

William, vicar of Thorpe, for licence to come to terms with Henry atte Felde.

Michael Naplef complains of Sayher le Kyng de Lexeden on plea of detention of one bullock, finding pledges to prosecute, John Dolkyn and William, son of the said Michael. The said Sayer finds pledges, Simon at Chiche and William de Broke.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. Martin, 5th year of King Edward [15th Nov.]

Essoigns.

Nicholas le Gros against Hubert de Colecestre, on plea of detention of a she-goat, by Richard Clericus.

Thomas Cocus against John Ballok, trespass, by Hugh Carnifex.

John Ballok against Thomas Cocus, trespass, by Henry Denny.

Edmund le Chaloner and John Parles, executors of the will of Matilda, relict of William la Chaner (?), against Robert le Longe, on the plea of debt.

Day was given to Gilbert de Ayham and John de Terlyng till the next Hundred.

Inquisition taken by Robert de Walhawe and William Molendinarius and other jurors, between William Pynkeney and Richard de Waltham, trespass. They find Richard guilty, and William may recover damages 12*d.*, taxed by the jury.

Margery de Gernemuta appears by attorney against Richard de Waltham on plea of debt. Margery may recover the same with damages.

NOTE.—The rest of this membrane is stained. The following names occur: Sayher Kyng, Michael Naplef, John Scortyn, William Goldyng.

Membrane 4.

Still the Hundred on Monday after Feast of St. Martin, in the 5th year [15th Nov.].

Stephen le Kyng for licence to come to terms with Michael Naplef by pledge of Will. Nichodemus.

John Sare, cobbler, acknowledges that he is held for Thomas le Herde de Ardleye to Hubert de Colecestre in 20*sh.* Half to be paid at Christmas next, half at Easter, for making peace between the said Thomas and Hubert by reason of a certain writ called "Monstravit."

Henry ate Soke acknowledges that he is held to Josep de Colecestre in 6000 tiles.

[Burgesses Made.]

Gwilliam le Roos is made a burgess.* Pledges, William Clericus, Elyas f. Joh., Matthew le Verrer and John de la Forde.

On the same day Henry Algod, of Wykes, is made a burgess. Pledges, William Pykyng, John le Mercer, William Molendinarius and William Faber. Fine on entry, 10*sh.*†

Philip Cissor, of Donyland, is made a burgess. Pledges, Ralph Ode, Richard Pegon, William Nichodemus, John le Mercer. Fine on entry, 10*sh.*†

John Crowe is made a burgess. Pledges, William Clericus, Richard Sayher, Richard Clericus and Richard Pegon. Fine on entry, 2*sh.*†

Philip Ryper attached to reply to Simon Primeth for non-payment of 2*sh.*, which the former undertook to pay for the cure of wounds of Alice la Kyng, whom he had struck, etc. Philip denies the liability, and performs his law by bringing two foreigners where, according to the custom of the Borough, he ought to have brought one burgess and one foreigner, because the same Philip is a foreigner. The said Simon to recover as if the case were undefended.

Inquisition by Simon Martyn, Henry ate Noke and other jurors who say that Warin Castellanus raised hue unjustly on William Gernoun, shepherd of Master John, because Warin wanted to take his sheep on to the land of the Abbot of St. Osith and impark them.

Pleas, Colchester

Friday after Feast of St. Edmund, Confessor, in the said year [19th Nov.].

Inquisition taken by the Coroner and Bailiffs by Richard Tinctor, Peter Cristemasse and other jurors who say that Bartholomew le Blake, Juliana his wife and Oliver Elys made an assault on Richard de Colne, breaking his arm, and the said Bartholomew, Juliana and Oliver raised hue unjustly.

Walter Chileman, for coming to terms with Henry Kyng, in mercy, by pledge of Roger Mercator.

John Bolt for the same, with John Pelliparius, in mercy, by pledge of Richard de Waltham and William Nichodemus.

[Bakers Fined.]

The bread of the Colchester Bakers was taken on Saturday, Feast of St. Edmund, K. and M., and weighed on the Sunday following in presence of the Bailiffs and other trustworthy persons and by four bakers, jurors, who say that on the last market day a quarter of the better corn was worth 4*sh.* 8*d.*, a quarter of middle corn 4*sh.* 4*d.*, and a quarter of inferior corn 4*sh.* 2*d.*, and that the bread ought to be weighed by the middle value, viz., 4*sh.* 6*d.* [*sic.*]

* No fine on entry mentioned.
† Amount of fine entered in the margin.

The following were fined for short weight:

Robert Musse, in a farthing simnel.
Peter Pistor*, in a halfpenny white loaf.
William Pottere, in the same.
Nicholas ate Ponde, in the same.
William Hendy, in a whole loaf of corn, of a farthing.
Thomas Tynnot, in the same whole loaf, a halfpenny.
Goldyng Pistor*, in the same.
Nicholas ate Ponde, in a halfpenny loaf of wheat [siligo]. The same in a loaf of the same corn [bladum].
William Wayte, in the same.
Roysa fil. Galfridi ate Halle complains of Richard Pye on plea of trespass, and for prosecution alleges poverty. The said Richard finds pledge, Richard Pegon. They have a day.

Pleas of Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. Edmund, M. [22nd Nov.].

Richard Pye against Roysa f. Galfridi ate Halle, on plea of trespass, by Roger Prentiz. They have a day.

John Hust complains of Adam le Pottere on plea of trespass, and finds pledges, John le Cartere and Bartholomew le Playtere.

John de Petfeld complains of John Hust on plea of trespass, and finds pledges, John Gage and Richard Pegon. The said John finds pledges, John Mulet and Richard Pegon.

John, chaplain of Tendring, complains of John la Warenere, on plea of debt, finding pledges, William Proffale and John Raven.

William Sprot and Joan his wife complains of Richard le Blunt and Benedicta his wife on plea of trespass, and finds pledges, William de Leycestre and Simon Serviens. The said Benedict and Richard find pledges, Philip Bullok and Simon Serviens.

Membrane 4 verso.

Pleas of Colchester

Friday, the morrow of St. Katharine, Virgin, [26th November], in the 5th year of King Edward.

John de Tendr[ing], chaplain, appeared against Joan la Warenere on plea of debt. The said Joan distrained by a woollen cloth. That not being sufficient, ordered, etc.

Joan, wife of William Sprot, complains of Richard le Blunt and Benedicta his wife on plea of trespass, that owing to the said Richard failing to chastise his wife, when she the said Joan was on the Kings way opposite her house near Stanwell, the said Benedicta came up and attacked her, to the damage of half a mark.

Benedicta pleads not guilty and asks for an enquiry.

Elyanor, wife of Richard Sutor de Campo, and Roysia, daughter of G. ad-aulam, [Galfridus at Hall], charged with being common litigious persons, deny the charges and ask for enquiries, which are granted.

* Baker.

Joan la Warenere for licence to come to terms with John de Tendryngg, chaplain, in mercy, by pledge of John de la Forde.

Salota, relict of Robert Lorecte, for licence to come to terms with Joan le Wolef, in mercy.

Richard de Waltham complains of Margery de Gernemute on plea of trespass, finding pledges, John de la Forde and John Gramige.

John Hust complains of Elyas Panel on plea of debt and finds pledges Henry Beggewhate and Richard Pegon.

The said Elyas attached to reply to the same finds pledges, John Folke and Geoffrey Spring.

Alice Dulches complains of Adam Mercator de Pett on plea of debt, and to prosecute finds pledges, viz., John Boulese and Richard Pegon.

Alexander de Merseya attached to reply to Richard Pegon, finding pledges, Alexander Tabernarius and Roger Prille.

Hundred of Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. Katharine [29th November].

Essoigns.

Thomas Cocus against John Bullok, trespass, by John le Barbour.
Richard Pye against Roysia fil. Galfr. de Aula, trespass, by Will. le Whitere.

John Hust, for licence to come to terms with John de Petfeld, in mercy, by pledge of Henry Beggewhate and Henry le Longe.

Elias Panel, the same with the said John; pledge, Richard Pegon.

John Hust appears against Adam le Herde, trespass, and whereas it is witnessed by the Sub-bailiffs that Adam has nothing by which he can be distrained, it is ordered that he be distrained against the next hundred to reply to the same John.

Day given to Edmund le Chaloner, plaintiff, against Robert le Longe, debt.

The jury find that in the charge of assault [above] of Joan Sprot *v.* Benedicta Blunt, the latter is guilty, and Joan may recover damages.

Elyanor, wife of Richard Sutor, convicted of being a common litigious person, is to appear to receive judgment.

The same day John de Terlyng, shepherd, came before the Bailiffs and acknowledged that he is bound to Gilbert de Dedham in 7*sh.* 6*d.*, due on the Feast of St. Nicholas.

Richard de Waltham appears against Margery de Gernemuth, who is distrained by a brass dish—insufficient, therefore, etc.

Sayher Kyng submits for breaking his arrest by the Bailiffs.

Alice Dulches appears, by attorney, against Adam Mercator de Peet, debt. The latter distrained by a horse and a blue cloak [supertunica]—not sufficient, therefore, etc.

Inquisition by Edmund Grimbaud, John Dolckyn, etc., say that Roysia, wife of John Carpenter, took a certain cap of Mariota de Subberiz against her will and struck and illtreated her. Therefore the said "Roysia" [? for Mariota] may recover the damages 2*sh.*, as taxed by the jury, and the cap.

Licences for coming to terms:

Roger Clerk with Robert le Longe.
Margery Trayli with Roger Clerk.
Adam Mercator with Alice Dulches.

Fined for Brewing and Selling Beer contrary to the Assize, according to the order and proclamation made by assent of the whole commonalty:

The wife of Saher Parmentar.
The wife of Henry Seffare, convicted.
The wife of Richard de Colne, confessed.
The wife of John Ayllet, for the same.
The wife of John de Teye, submitted and was convicted.
Joan Pakes, confessed.
The wife of Peter Vinger, convicted.
John de la Forde, who came not as he was summoned to tax the goods of John Ayllet.
William Clericus, for the same.
John Lotun, for the same.

The wife of Richard Sutor, convicted of being a common litigious person, by pledge of Simon Serviens.

Christina de Botyngham complains of Richard Sutor and Elyanor his wife, trespass. Pledges for prosecution, John Botyngham and Simon le Gerdler.

The said Richard and Elyanor attached to reply find pledges, Simon Serviens and Nicholas Molendinarius. Day given.

John Hotfot, for selling wine against the assise.

Sayher Tabernarius, for the same.

Richard Tabernarius, for the same.

Day given for Christina de Boctyngham, plaintiff, and Richard and Elyanor Sutor, defendants, to the next hundred; without essoign.

Adam Edrych complains of Alexander ate Fenne, trespass. Pledge, Richard Pegon. Alexander finding pledge, John Boge.

Agnes Pones complains of Joan Crabbe, trespass. Pledges, William Savage and Richard Pegon. The said Joan's pledges being John Wolef and Richard Pegon.

William de Plumsted complains of Gilbert le Thecchere de Boxsted on plea of covenant. Pledges, Warin f. Willelmi and John Parles.

The said Gilbert distrained with instruments belonging to his office, would not justify himself. Therefore, etc.

Membrane 5.

Hundred of Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. Nicholas [13th Dec.], in the 5th year of King Edward.

Essoigns.

Agnes Pones *v.* Joan Crabbe, trespass, by Richard Sayher.
Richard Pye *v.* Roysia f. Galfridi ate Halle, trespass, by Edmund la Chaloner.
Joan Crabbe *v.* Agnes Pones, trespass, by Roger Tinctor.
Alexander de Merseye *v.* Richard Pegon, trespass, by Alexander Taverner.

For licence to come to terms:

Alexander atte Fenne with Adam Edrych. Pledge, John Boge.
Richard Sutor with Christina de Bockingham.

Margery de Gernemuth attached to reply to Richard de Waltham on plea of trespass, finds pledges, William Nichodemus and Simon Serviens.

As it was witnessed by the Sub-bailiffs that Adam le Herde has nothing by which he can be distrained to reply to John Hust on plea of trespass. Ordered that he be distrained against next hundred, as before.

Robert le Longe was summoned to reply to Edmund le Chaloner and John Parles, executors of the will of Matilda, relict of William le Chaloner, on plea of debt, the said Edmund and John complaining that Robert unjustly detains 7*sh.*, and that unjustly because they say that the said Matilda borrowed from Geoffrey de Hadleye, Fuller, 14*sh.* on the Feast of All Saints, in the 1st year of the present king's reign, to pay the 7*sh.*; and for the repayment of the same found pledge, Robert le Lung, who for the same appointed Geoffrey as principal debtor to pay the 7*sh.* to Matilda, or her executors, if the said Geoffrey should fail in the payment, etc., which payment Geoffrey has continually refused and still refuses.

The said Robert says that he is in no way responsible, and is prepared to defend, etc. Pledges, Peter de Asseton and Adam de Leycestre.

Thomas Cocus was summoned to reply to John Ballok on a plea of debt, who charges him with detaining 22*d.*—that they were pledges of a certain John Scot against Ralph Seffare concerning 30*sh.* for 3 cows sold to the said John by Ralph. So that in default of acquittance of the said John Scot, the said Thomas and John paid to Ralph Seffere 3*sh.* 8*d.*, for which sum John Scot was distrained at the suit of the same Thomas and John Ballok by sufficient distress, which the same Thomas delivered to John Scot, etc.

The said Thomas denies liability, and is prepared, etc. Pledges, Elyas fil. Johannis and Warin fil. Willelmi.

Margery de Gernemuta was attached to reply to Richard de Waltham on plea of trespass, that whereas he let to the said Margery a house near his court outside East Bridge from Easter to Michaelmas, in the fourth year of the king, she burnt some oak bark lying in a certain house near, without the will of the said Richard, to the value of 10*sh.*, to his grievous loss, etc.

Margery denies the charge, and finds pledges to defend, viz., Elyas fil. Johannis and Adam de Leycestre.

Pleas, Colchester

Wednesday after Feast of St. Lucy [15th Dec.], in the same year.

Essoigns.

Joan Crabbe *v.* Agnes Pones, trespass, by Philip de la Rokele.

Pleas

On the following Friday [17th Dec.].

The same *v.* the same, by Richard de Leyre, clerk.
The same Agnes *v.* the same Joan, by William Clericus.

[Millers' Measures Tested.]

The measures of the millers were taken and tested, whereof some were found false and wanting in weight, by the Bailiffs and Burgesses.

The measures at the following mills were found faulty: Middelmelne, the old mill in the wood, Northmelne, Burnemelne, New mill, Stokesmelne, and were forfeited and preserved till the coming of the King's Marshal; and the lords or farmers of the mills were in mercy.

Pleas

Vigil of St. Thomas [20th Dec.].

Agnes Pones, by attorney, against Joan Crabbe, who did not appear, nor her surety. Ordered to find a better.

William Way, for hue justly raised by the Sub-bailiffs, for that William made rescue in distraint made on him, is in mercy. Pledges, Henry Denny and Henry de Leycestre.

William Scot, by hue justly raised on him for shedding John Skynner's blood, is in mercy, by pledge of John Vyel.

Isaac Elys complains of Robert Whitfot for detaining a sow, and to prosecute finds pledges, Elyas f. Johannis and Simon Serviens.

Robert finds pledges to reply, Edmund le Chaloner and Simon Serviens. Day given, Monday after St. Hillary [13th January].

Roger Prentiz, in respect of a fine for trespass.

Walter le Seler *v.* Robert Musse. Pledges, Edward ate Pette and William Nichodemus. Robert's pledges being Richard Pleyfote and William Nichodemus.

Skin amaged. . . . against Simon Barbitor. Pledges, William Stonhous and another. Simon's pledges being Richard le Barbour and Roger . . .

Membrane 5 verso.

Inquisition, taken at the instance of the Bailiffs, concerning hue raised at the Heath, Colchester, concerning an assault made on Walter Pungston, by Henry le Longe, John Mullet and other jurors, who declare that John f. Hug. Carnifex, John de Sponton, Stephen (servant of the Prior), —— Springold, Gilbert de Sartria, William Hurceby, jun., and Roger Cothaud made an assault on the said Walter at New Heath, whereupon the said hue was raised by the latter. It is ordered that John and the others be present at the next hundred.

Philip le Peddere was charged by the Bailiffs that he being distrained by William Nichodemus, the serjeant, by a horse, for 6*d.*, in which he was amerced in presence of the Bailiffs, and for 5*d.* in which he was bound to John Magge on account of a loan. The said Philip, notwithstanding this distress, led his horse away and broke pound in contempt of the Bailiffs.

Philip acknowledges his guilt and is in mercy.

The same Philip, for licence to come to terms with John Proffele, is in mercy.

Adam Scot complains of Richard Carpenter, trespass, finding pledges, viz., Roger Mercator and John Wolef. The said Richard is distrained by his tools [utensilia], etc.

Robert Barefot, for licence to come to terms with John Parles in plea of trespass, is in mercy, by pledge of John Parles.

Joan Crabbe attached to reply to Agnes Pones finds pledges, Richard Pegon and Adam Godfelawe.

Richard de Colne complains of Bartholomew le Chaucer and Juliana his wife, debt. Pledges, Hubert de Colecestre and Henry Denny.

The said Bartholomew and Juliana being attached find pledges, John de la Forde and Master Adam Pecok.

Richard de Colne complains of Richard fil. Bartholomei le Hosiere and William fil. Alex.

de Colne, and finds pledges to prosecute, Hubert de Colecestre and Henry Denny. The said Richard and William attached to reply finds pledges, Simon Serviens and Richard de Colne.

John fil. Hugonis Carnifex, for trespass on Walter Pungston, and for hue on the same justly raised, is in mercy, by pledge of William de Colyngg and Ralph. Ode.

William Hurteby, for the same, by pledge of William de Leycestre.

Gilbert de Sartria, for the same, by pledge of Roger de Camera, and that for the future they will behave well to the Burgesses of Colchester.

Stephen, servant of the Prior of St. John, Colchester, for same.

Springoldus le Furner. for the same.

John de Sprowton, for the same.

Roger Cochhand, for the same.

John Ayllet and Edward ate Pette went bail for John de Horkeleye, plaisterer, to repair the North Bridge at his own expense before Midsummer, under penalty of 20*sh.* payable to the Commonalty, if the said John fail, etc.

[Concerning a Felon Hanged for Theft.]

Memorandum that whereas Dom. William de Hanyngfeld, William de Goldyngton and Dom. Robert de Reydon, by Commission of the King, came to Colchester for Gaol Delivery on Wednesday after Feast of the Circumcision, in the aforesaid year, and a certain Richard Musse had submitted himself for certain felonies, and was convicted on the charge that he and others on Saturday after St. John Baptist's Day, in the fourth year of the King, entered a close of Stacia la Smythes, of Lexden, broke into her door and house and carried off four geese valued at 12*d.*, on account of which felony he was hung, and his chattels valued at 7*sh.* 6*d.*, and a "year and waste" of the said Richard's houses being in Haymesokne* were valued by 12 jurymen at half-a-mark, of which waste and chattels the township of Colchester was charged by the same Justices to answer to the King on the next "iter," etc., for which chattels and waste Mag. John de Colecestre, as Chief Lord of the aforesaid houses, sought admission to find sufficient security to keep the said town of Colchester on the next "iter" free from all indemnity towards the King, etc., which indeed Mag. John, by Joseph Elyanore, their bailiff, was admitted to the premises and then found sureties, viz., Joseph Elyanore and Hubert de Colecestre, who freely bound themselves to preserve the town from the aforesaid indemnity.

[Tolls Leased.]

Toll. The Commonalty of Colchester leased on the same day to Henry Seffare the tolls of Colchester, from Michaelmas to Michaelmas, on the payment of £35, for which he found pledges, Ralph Seffar, Alexander Taverner, Roger Sayher, Richard de Colne, Josep Alyanore, William de Sartria, William Nichodemus, Simon Serviens; also the said Henry binds himself and his goods and chattels for distraint by the Bailiffs if he fail in the payment.

Berthram del See brings an open writ of the King "de recto" [*i.e.* writ of right] against Adam Lotekyn, Gilbert de Clare and Juliana, who was wife of Geoffrey le Teynturer, to prosecute which writ the said Berthram found pledge, Warin fil. Willelmi. The said Adam, etc., to be summoned against the next hundred.

Joseph Alyamore complains of John de Manitre on plea of debt, and finds pledges to prosecute, John Bolt and Simon de Firmaria, viz., that the said John keeps 10*sh.* 8*d.* which he acknowledged he owed before the Bailiffs from the said Joseph. Therefore distraint is ordered. He was distrained by a horse, a saddle, etc., valued by Ralph Ode, Hubert de Colecestre and others at 13*sh.* 4*d.*

* Hamesecken, or Hamsoken = burglary or housebreaking. (Jacob's *Law Dictionary.*)

Membrane 6.

Law Hundred of Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. Hilary [16th Jan.], in the 5th year of King Edward.

Essoigns.

Adam Lotekyn *v.* Berthram del See on plea of land, by Adam de Leycestre.
Gilbert de Subberiz *v.* the same, for same, by Will. de Leycestre.
Juliana, widow of Geoffrey Tinctor *v.* same, by Richard de Colne.
The same Berthram *v.* the same, by Warin fil. Willelmi.
Juliana Bettes *v.* Richard de Colne, debt, by Simon Hulle.
Isabella Elys *v.* Robert Whitfot, for detention of a sow, by Nich. le Gros.
Robert le Longe *v.* John Parles and Edmund le Chaloner, executors of the will of Matilda, relict of Will. le Chaloner, on plea of debt, whereupon law by John de Bottyngham.
Alexander de Merseye *v.* Richard Pegon on plea of trespass, by Roger Sayher.
Henry de Leycestre, concerning common, by Peter Wylde.
Richard Boyton, for the same, by Robert Olyver.
Alice de Stanweya, for the same, by Sayher de Donyland.

Margery de Gernemuta came with his law and did it as she pledged, against Richard de Waltham, on plea of trespass as appears above. Margery may go quit and Richard is in mercy.

John Ballok, for licence to come to terms with Thomas Cocus, in mercy, by pledge of William de Sarcino.

Richard Pye, for the same with Roysia, daughter of Geoffrey de Aula, by pledge of the same.

Richard de Colne appears against Bartholomew le Chaucer on plea of debt. The latter neither appeared or essoigned. Therefore his pledges in mercy.

Agnes Pones sues Joan Crabbe for debt, who did not appear. Therefore, etc.

Further distraint ordered on Adam le Herde to reply to John Hust's charge of trespass, and on Gilbert le Thecchere to reply to William de Plumsted on plea of covenant.

Simon Barbitonsor, for licence to come to terms with Richard de Legra, clerk, in mercy, by pledge of Rich. le Barbur and Roger Prilles.

Ralph ate Hethe, for selling . . . nor yet profitable nor for the use of man ["nondum proficuas nec ad usus hominum"], convicted.

Ralph Raven, for selling measled meat, convicted.

Richard de Colne complains of Richard fil. Barthol. le Chaucer and William fil. Alex. de Colne on plea of trespass, for coming to a certain croft of the said Richard, in Miland, and rooting up and carrying away a hedge.

The defendants defend themselves, but while Richard denies that he is guilty, William avows the act, but says the hedge was his.

Walter le Seler complains of Robert Musse, baker, that after making an arrangement with him for baking a bushel of corn at a certain hour on a certain day the said Robert refused to take it in at that particular time, though he had been paid a halfpenny for the same beforehand. Eventually Robert finds pledges for his law, viz., Warin fil. Willelmi and Henry Denny.

[Burgess Admitted.]

William de Cofford, tailor, received as a Burgess, takes the oaths and finds pledges, Henry Denny, Richard Sayher, Walter le Seler and Peter Wylde; fine, half a mark.

The Commonalty of the Burgesses granted and leased to Walter le Trumper a certain unoccupied place before his tenement, to build and plant a paling [halicium], at a yearly rent of 4*d.*

Alice, relict of Walter Opethewalle, took a certain place near her house on a yearly rental of 3*d*. William Opethewalle did the same, rent 4*d*.

Roger Alfred confessed before the Bailiffs that he is bound to the Commonalty in 2*d*., annual rent for a new building near Stanwelle and a certain "purprestre" [encroachment] on the King there.

The Commonalty granted to William Pope, chaplain, leave to erect a paling in front of his tenement near Maydeneburgh.

Membrane 6 verso.

VERDICT OF THE JURORS on the following articles, viz., Warin fil. Willelmi, John de la Forde and others, who say that

Ralph Seffare has obstructed the King's road in Heuedstrate, and made there a dung heap and pond opposite his house.

The same has obstructed a watercourse in Halemere which ought to run under his wall.

Walter Fullo has obstructed a watercourse running from the pond of Adam, rector of St. Mary's church to his garden as it has been wont and ought by right to run, etc.

Simon le Webbe, Will. Stiward, Isabella Dolekyn, Roger le Webbe have dug clay in Northstrate, damaging the King's way.

Adam Palat has built a "schreddende" on the King's place near his house, 4ft. by 6ft., and has encroached on the common way.

William de la Sartrie has planted boundary posts in the King's way outside his house to the nuisance, etc.; also he has two gutters extending into the King's way.

The following raised hue and are in mercy:

Will. le Bret on Andrew ate Gate, justly, Andrew in mercy.

Juliana Beetes on William Nichodemus, serviens, unjustly.

Mariota de Subberiz on Guy Cuthaud, justly.

Richard de Legra, clerk, on Simon Primech, justly.

Geoffrey Prille on John Maymund, unjustly.

Gonnora Ferthyng on Rosia de Nutsted, justly.

John le Skynnere on Geoffrey de Stebbyngg, justly.

Roger Cocus on Roger Prentiz, justly.

William Pentecost dug earth near the bank at North Bridge. Ordered to repair etc.

John Unwyne does not clean his ditch towards the Sowenewode on the King's way, to the nuisance, etc.

Adam Plantyng detains 18*d*., rent due for 7 years past to the Commonalty from land called "Mabilepistel," ordered to levy the arrears.

Elyas fil. Johannis detains 4*d*. rent from land called "Skyvelespistel."

Richard Smart, charged by the Bailiffs that he is accustomed to receive corn brought by Gilbert Baret to Colchester Market, for sale and under cover, is wont to expose the same for sale, retaining the toll for the same to the prejudice of the King and Commonalty. Charge denied and enquiry ordered.

BREWERS SELLING CONTRARY TO THE ASSIZE:

Joan Pakes
Wife of Rich. de Colne
" Sayher le Parmenter
" Rich. de Copford
" Thomas Bysouth
Wife of Peter Vinger
" Gilbert Clericus
Alice Sayher
Wife of Richard de Peldon
Alice Prentiz

Wife of John de Teye
„ Richard le Barbour
„ John de Lindon
Alice la Cotylere and the wife of John Dyllot, for selling beer to strangers
Wife of Tony
„ Sayher de Donyland
„ Henry ate Felde
„ Henry Denny
„ Robert de Dersham
Amice de Piggesle

Vintners selling Wine contrary to the Assize:

Roger Prille Richard Pleysote John Hotfot

John le Cotyler complains of Walter le Trumpur on plea of trespass, and to prosecute finds pledges, John le Mercer and William Le.

Isabella la Hukkestere complains of Roger Cocus, trespass, finding pledges, Simon Serviens and William Nichodemus; the said Roger's pledges being Richard le Barbour and Elyas Sutor.

The same Roger complains of the same Isabella, trespass, finding pledges, John Lamb and John Ballok, and Isabella's pledges being S. Serviens and Will. Nichodemus.

William de Plumsted complains of Philip de la Rokele, debt, finding pledges, William Nichodemus and . . . Philip's pledges being John de Forda and W. Nichodemus.

Edward Grimbaud complains of the above Philip, finding pledges, Geoffrey le Specur and Robert de Dersham.

John, son of Roger Mercator, complains of Roger Sayher, finding pledges, Matthew le Verer and Richard Barbur; the said Roger's pledges being Alexander Tabernarius and Warin fil. Willelmi.

Thomas Sayher complains of William de Cruce, finding pledges, Warin fil. Willelmi and Roger Sayher.

Membrane 7.

Hundred of Colchester

Monday before Feast of Purification of B.V.M. [30th Jan.], 5th Edward [II.]

Essoigns.

Robert le Longe against Edmund le Chaloner and John Parles, executors of the will of Matilda, relict of William le Chaloner, on plea of debt.
Roger Sayher against John, son of Roger Mercator, trespass, by Rog. de Leyre.
Alex. de Merseye against Richard Pegon, trespass, by Henry Seffare.
William de Cruce against Thomas Sayher, debt, by Robert Marescall.
Isabella Elys against Robert Whitfot, detention of a sow, by Rich. Tinctor.
Juliana de Colne against Rich. de Colne, debt, by Stephen Marcion.
William de Plumsted against Philip de la Rokele, debt, by Will. Clericus.
Richard de Colne against Will. de Colne and Rich. le Chaucer, trespass, whence an enquiry, by Edmund Chaloner.
Adam Lotekyn against Berthram del See, plea of land, by John Vyel.
Gilbert de Clare against the same, by Rob. Whitfot.
Juliana, widow of Geoffrey le Tincturer, de Colecestre, against the same, by Matthew le Verrer.
Richard de Colne against Bartholomew le Chaucer and Juliana his wife, debt, by Nicholas le Gros.
Berthram del See against Adam Lotekyn, Gilbert de Clare and Juliana, widow of Geoffrey le Tenturer, land by Alexander le Taverner.
William de Cruce against Thomas Sayher, debt, by Henry Denny.

Roger Cocus to come to terms with Isabella Hukkestere, in mercy.
The same Roger because he withdrew against the same, trespass.
Edmund Grymbaud to come to terms with Philip de la Rokele.

Walter le Seler came with his law as he had pledged it against Robert Musse and did it fully. Therfore he may recover 2*sh.* damages, and Robert is in mercy by his pledges, Richard de Colne and John de Geywod.

Because evidence is given by the Sub-bailiffs that Bartholomew le Chaucer has nothing whereby he can be distrained, to reply to Richard de Colne, he must be distrained still, etc.

Distraints ordered on:—John Crabbe to reply to Agnes Pones, Adam le Herde to John Hust, Gilbert le Thecchere to Will. de Plumsted.

AN ENQUIRY taken at the instance of the Bailiffs by Peter Cissor and Richard his son and others, Jurors, concerning hue raised concerning timber carried off by the Bailiffs against warning, and concerning the killing of a dog of Dom. Alan de Goldingham, who say that William Textor raised hue on Willliam de Copford, tailor, and Geoffrey de Stebbyng, justly, as they assaulted and struck him.

Also that Emmota la Cokes raised hue on Philip le Peddere justly, who struck her and threw her in the mud.

Also that William Cissor and Geoffrey de Stebbyngg killed a dog of Dom. Alan de Goldingham, etc., and that the same Geoffrey is a common night-wanderer and evildoer. Therefore, etc.

Still ordered to distrain Walter le Trumpur to reply to John le Cotyler on plea of trespass.

[Burgess Admitted.]

John de Langenho entered the "burgage" of Colchester (paying 5*sh.* fine), taking the oaths and finding pledges, viz., Ralph Ode, Richard Sayher, Henry Seffar and Richard Pegon.

Pleas, Colchester

Vigil of the Purification, same year [1st Feb.].

[Killing a Dog].

William Cissor de Copford and Geoffrey de Stebbyngg charged with killing a dog [as above] pleaded not guilty. An enquiry ordered.

Besides John de Aseton and John de Sutton, accused of a similar trespass, deny the charge, and an enquiry is ordered for the following Thursday.

On which day the enquiry was made by John Nevard, John Dulekyn, Walter le Mazoun, etc., who say that the above John, John, William and Geoffrey are not guilty, and may therefore go free.

[An Alleged Night-Wanderer.]

The said Geoffrey de Stebbyngg was charged by the Bailiffs and Commonalty with being a night-wanderer and evildoer. He pleads not guilty, and asks for an enquiry, which was made before the Bailiffs and Coroner, by Peter Wilde, Stephen de Levenhoy, etc., who find him not guilty, and he may go free.

Coroner.

Elyas Sutor in mercy because he came not to give his verdict about the killing of a dog as ordered by the Bailiffs. John Ballok in mercy for the same.

The wife of James de Sancto Edmundo, for brewing and selling beer against the assize and warning, in mercy.

John, son of Roger, the merchant, puts in his place Henry Denny against Roger Sayher.

Ralph Wade complains of Richard Blount, debt, finding pledges, Will. Nichodemus and Will. Sprot; the said Richard's pledges being John de Tendr[ing] and Roger Clericus.

Alexander de Mersey puts in his place Alexander Tabernarius against Rich. Pegon.

Alice Spellere complains of Martin Schride, trespass. Pledges, Henry de Leycestre and Ralph Pegon.

On Friday [10th Feb.] after Ash Wednesday the Commonalty lease to John Lamb a vacant place in Colchester market to build an uncovered stall there, at a yearly rent, at Easter, of 12*d*.

Membrane 7. verso.

Hundred, Colchester

FEAST OF ST. VALENTINE [14TH FEBRUARY], 5TH YEAR OF EDWARD.

Essoigns.

Juliana Bettes against Richard de Colne, debt, by Hen. Guttere.
Richard Blunt against Ralph Wade, debt, by Roger Clericus.
William de Plumsted against Philip de la Rokele, debt, by Nichs. le Gros.
Roger Sayher against John fil. Rogeri Mercatoris, trespass, by Alex. Tabernarius.
William de Cruce and a ship called Seintemariecog against Tho. Sayher, debt, by Ralph Ode.
Isabella Elys against Robert Whitfot, for detention of a sow, by John Lotun.
Rob. le Longe against Edm. le Chaloner and John Parles, executors of Matilda, widow of Will. le Chaloner, by Henry Denny.
Rich. de Colne against Will. de Colne and Rich. le Chaucer, by Will. de Leycestre.
Adam Lotekyn against Berthram del See, by Hen. de Leycestre.
Gilbert de Clare, et. Subberiz against the same, by Geoffrey le Coupere.
Juliana, widow of Geoffrey le Teynturer, against the same, by Adam de Leycestre.
Berthram del See against the said Adam, by Rich. de Leyra, clericus.

John Crabbe for licence to come to terms with Agnes Pones, in mercy, by pledge of Henry Denny.

ENQUIRY taken by Chilmann Faber, Robert Wade, etc., concerning Toll retained by Rich. Smart. Found guilty and is in mercy.

DISTRAINTS ordered on: Bartholomew Chaucer to reply to Rich. de Colne, Adam le Herde to reply to John Hust, Gilbert le Thecchere to reply to Will. de Plumsted.

Martin Schrid for licence to come to terms with Alice Spellere, by pledge of John de la Forde and Richard Pegon.

[CONSTABLE ELECTED.]

The same day John de la Forde and Alexander Tabernarius were elected by the Commonalty and sworn into the office of Constable for keeping the peace according to the Statute of Constables Winchester,* etc.

Roger Pegon complains of Alexander de Merseya for felling and carrying away four young elm trees, and produces suit.

Alexander avows the act, but says that he only cut the branches growing on his own ground, and seeks judgment whether he is to answer in respect of his free tenement or of the King's writ. The said Richard says that his complaint only refers to the trespass against the King's peace, and not to the free tenement, etc. Day ordered, etc.

Adam Body complains of Simon Body, trespass. Pledges, Richard Sayher and Thomas Sprot.

The said Simon attached to reply to the same finds pledges, William Godbody and Richard Sayher.

[BURGESS ADMITTED.]

The same day Thomas Ferthing, apparitor, was admitted a Burgess, his pledges being John de la Forde, Joseph Alyanore, Richard Norreys and Ralph Ode. Fine, 2*sh*.

William de la Marche for not coming when summoned, in mercy.

* This Statute (A.D. 1285) had particularly to do with the Assize of Arms and Watch and Ward.

John de Gernemut [Yarmouth], convicted of beginning to sell his wares and going away before completing the sale, etc., in mercy, by pledges, Richard de Peldon and John Hust.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. Matthias, in the same year [28th Feb.].

Essoigns.

Rich. de Colne *v.* Will. de Colne, by Ad. de Leycestre.
Will. de Cruce and ship Seintemariecog *v.* Thos. Sayher, by Hen. Denny.
Phil. de la Rokele *v.* Will. de Plumsted, by Ric. de Leyre.
Will. de Plumsted *v.* Phil. de la Rokele, by John Parles.
Roger Sayher *v.* John, son of Rog. Mercator, by Tho. Sayher.
Ric. Pegon *v.* Alex. de Merseya, by John Boctyngham.
Alex. de Merseya *v.* Ric. Pegon, by Ric. Sayher.
Ric. de Colne *v.* Juliana Bettes, by Rog. le Teynturer.

In the case of the executors of Matilda le Chaloner, R. le Longe owns to owing *2sh. 6d.*

Day ordered for Richard Blunt and Ralph Wade.

Isabella Elys to come to terms with Rob. Whitfot. Pledges, Elyas and Richard de Legra.

Richard Pegon puts in his place Henry Denny against Alex. de Merseya, plea of trespass.

Simon Body for coming to terms with Adam Body, for trespass, in mercy, by pledge of Richard Sayher.

John Swarthar for coming to terms with Simon Bolwyne, trespass, by pledge of John Rotare.

William de Plumsted appears against Philip de la Rokele in plea of debt. The latter seen in court retired outside and when called did not come nor essoign. Therefore in mercy, etc.

A day was given for Peter Musse, Faber, and Thomas Baroun de Leyre Bretoun, in plea of trespass, at next hundred.

[Burgess Admitted.]

The same day John de Salyngg entered the "Burgage" of Colchester, taking the usual oaths and finding pledges, John Lotun, Roger Tannator, William Nichodemus and Richard Pegon.

Still ordered to distrain Bartholomew le Chaucer to reply to Richard de Colne, on plea of debt.

Also Adam le Herde to reply to John Hurst.

Also Gilbert le Thecchere to reply to William [de Plumsted].

John de Salyng complains of John, Prior of Colchester, finding pledges to prosecute, Richard Pegon and John de Sprowton.

The said Prior distrained by a horse.

Membrane 8.

Still Hundred on Monday after Feast of St. Matthias, same year [28th Feb.].

Berthram del See appears against Adam Lotekyn, Gilbert de Clare and Juliana, widow of Geoffrey le Teynturer, of Colchester, on plea that they should restore to him a messuage in the suburb of Colchester which he claims by King's writ, etc. The said Adam not appearing it is ordered to take a third part of the messuage in the King's hand, Adam to be summoned to appear at next Hundred before the Bailiffs, and a day was given to Berthram, Gilbert and Juliana, etc.

ENQUIRY taken on an assault, and hue by Roger Cocus, viz., by John Lamb, Roger le Someneur, etc., who say that John, son of Hugh Carnifex, made an assault on Roger, who justly raised hue, etc. Pledges, John le Wolef and John le Me . . r.

The said Jurors also say that Richard, son of Bartholomew le Chaucer removed a stall against the warning, etc., of the Bailiffs and paid nothing for stallage. Therefore in mercy.

Pleas, Colchester

Tuesday before Feast of St. Gregory, same year [7th March].

Gilbert ate Brok complains of John Carectarius on plea of trespass, viz., that while he was at New Heath, Colchester, on the bank there in his boat, the said John came and removed the said boat, and broke a certain lance of the said Gilbert's called "Spreet*" and threw it in the water, etc.

John denies the charge, and asks for an enquiry, which being granted on this complaint, and concerning the hue raised by Gilbert, the Jury, Thomas ate Marsh, John Kelye, etc., find John not guilty, and Gilbert is therefore in mercy for the false charge and the hue unjustly raised.

Alexander ate Fenne raised hue unjustly on John Hust, therefore in mercy.

William le Bret complains of Adam Mercator, for detaining a horse, finding pledges for prosecution, viz., Roger Prentiz and Adam Scot.

The said Adam to reply finds pledges Alexander Tabernarius and Henry Seffar.

John Hust complains of Nota la Soutes for trespass, finding pledges to prosecute, John Swarthar and Adam ate Clyve.

The said Nota's pledges are Will. Nichodemus and Richard Pegon.

Wm. Payn complains of John Carectarius for trespass, and concerning the prosecution pleads poverty. The said John finds pledges, John Boctyngh[am] and John Aventurous. Day given, etc.

Pleas, Colchester

The same Tuesday, at 9 o'clock [7th March].

Essoign.

John Carectarius *v.* Wm. Payn, trespass—by Roger Pulle. Day at next hundred.

The same John Carectarius complains of Gilbert ate Brok on plea of trespass. Pledges to prosecute, Walter Wynchelot and Richard de Peldon.

The said Gilbert, attached to reply, fines pledge John Swarthar.

William de Cruce puts in his place Ralph Ode *v.* Thomas Sayher, on plea of debt.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. Gregory [13th March].

Essoigns.

Alex. Tabernarius, attorney of Alex. de Merseya *v.* Rich. Pegon, on plea of trespass by Warin de Fonte. Wherefore an enquiry.

Gilbert ate Brok *v.* John Carectarius, trespass, by Rich. Clericus.

John de Salyng *v.* John, Prior of Colne, debt, by Roger Pulle.

——— del See *v.* Adam Lotekyn and others, on a writ "de placito terre," by Elyas fil. Johannis.

John Carectarius *v.* William Payn, trespass, by Hugh Baggard.

Juliana de Colne *v.* Rich. de Colne, debt, by John Bollex.

Nota la Sowtes' *v.* John Hust, trespass, by John Parles.

* A boatman's pole (Halliwell).

——— del See *v.* Gilbert de Clare, de Subberiz and Juliana on plea of land, by Warin de Fonte.
The same *v.* Juliana, who was the wife of Geoffrey la Teynturer, of Colchester, by Richard . . .
Bertram del See *v.* Adam Lotekyn, Gilbert de Clare, and Juliana abovesaid, by Warin de Fonte.
John Hust *v.* Nota la Sowtes, trespass, by Richard Sayher.

John, Prior of Colne, puts in his place William de Colecester, clerk, or Simon Toche *v.* John de Salyngg, debt.

Day for case between Ralph Ode, attorney of William de Cruce, and Thomas Sayher, of Colchester, debt, to next Hundred, etc.

Richard Blunt for licence to come to terms with Ralph Wade on plea of debt, in mercy. Pledges, Ralph Clericus and Ralph Wade.

William de Plumsted appears by his attorney against Philip de la Rokele on plea of debt. Therefore the latter was distrained by the great distress, viz., a woollen cloth of russet, but by that not being willing to justify himself, it is ordered to take more, etc.

John, son of Roger Mercator, of Colchester, complains of Roger Sayher on plea of trespass, namely, that he assaulted him in Colchester Market. Roger denies the charge, and is found not guilty.

Still ordered to distrain Bartholomew le Chaucer to reply to Richard de Colne, debt. Also Adam le Herde to reply to John Hust, Gilbert le Thecchere to reply to William de Plumsted.

Warin de Fonte, essoign of Bartram del See, appears against Gilbert de Clare and Juliana, who was wife of Geoffrey le Teynturer, and Adam Lotekyn, which latter made default, on which Juliana came and said that she was tenant of the said messuage at the time the said writ was obtained. And if the court considers good and the said Bertram should be present, she would be prepared to reply to the charge. And a day was given to the said Warin, Gilbert, and Juliana to the next Hundred.

It was found by an enquiry that [Richard le Chaucer] removed the fence of Richard de Colne as above charged, etc. In mercy.

Membrane, 8 *verso.*

[Burgess Admitted.]

On the same day Alan Pastor entered the "burgage," taking the usual oaths, and finding pledges John Somer, Geoffrey de Hadleye, William Gray and Robt. ate Watere. Fine, 10*sh.*

On the aforesaid day Benedict de Cokefeud, John de la Forde, John de Eylond, rector of St. James's, Hubert de Colecestre, Adam de Leycestre, and Roger Alfred, clerk, went bail for John Russel de Eylond, indicted before the Bailiffs and Coroner of Colchester, concerning a certain battery made on Richard Warde within the liberty, and to have the said John ready when required, etc., concerning the trepass alleged, etc.

The same day Richard le Barbour, Alexander Tabernarius, William Gray, Thomas Sayher, Roger Sayher and Richard de Legra, clerk, went bail for Adam, son of William le Barbour, in respect of the said charge.

Inquisition held at the instance of the Bailiffs on a certain hue raised by Simon Primeth, viz., by Henry Cutte, Robert Justice, etc., who say that Simon raised hue justly on William, son of Oliver Elys, for assault, etc.

Matilda, wife of Robert le Plomer, convicted of being a common quarrelsome person, submitted and is in mercy.

John Hud for licence to come to terms with John Smith, in mercy, by pledge of Richard Pegon.

John le Cotyler complains of Peter Musse, trespass, and finds pledges William Naplef and Simon Serviens. The same Peter finds the same pledges and a day was given.

William Perfale complains of Stephen Tannator on plea of debt. Pledges, Richard de Waltham and John de Tendr'. The said Stephen attached to reply finds pledges John de Forda and John Tannator, of Wytham. A day was given.

Alexander ate Fenne complains of John Brid on plea of trespass. Pledges' names not given.

Pleas, Colchester

Thursday, Aforesaid* [16th March].

INQUISITION taken by Thomas Tynnot, John le Wolef, etc., concerning a rescue made by Ralph Seffare in his house on a distress made by Richard de Barbur, John Lotun, collectors of taxes in Heuedward, for arrears of tax owing by the said Ralph. They find Ralph guilty, who is to come up for judgment on Monday after close of Easter.

Richard ate Gate, for not coming to the above inquisition when summoned, is in mercy.

Thomas ate Brok de Alefford and William Frere, his companion, complained against Henry Beggewhate and John le Peddere and John Passelewe on plea of trespass. And for prosecution found pledges Edmund Pelliparius and Robert de Hadleye.

[A Common Litigious Person].

Inquisition taken by William Bynorth, Peter Pistor, etc., who say that Elena le Gerdlere is a common litigious person. To have judgment against her without redemption.

Hugh Lithwyne complains of Edmund Grymbaud and Agnes his wife, executors of the will of Jordan Olyver of Colchester, her late husband, on plea of debt, finding pledges Hubert de Colecestre and Arnald de Mounteny.

The same Hugh complains of the said Edmund and Agnes. Therefore, etc.

Peter Musse, smith, for licence to come to terms with Thomas Baroun de Leyre, in mercy.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Feast of the Annunciation, in the year abovesaid [27th March].

Essoigns.

Berthram del See against Adam Lotekyn, Gilbert de Clare and Juliana, widow of Geoffrey le Teynturer, of Colchester, on plea of land, by Alex. Tabernarius.
Gilbert de Clare, de Subberiz, against Berthram del See, on plea of land, by Adam de Leycestre.
Henry Beggewhate against Thomas ate Broke de Alefford and others, trespass, by Roger Sayher.
Adam le Chapman against Will. le Bret, for detaining a horse, by H. Seffar.

Bertham del See by Alex. Tabernarius, his essoign, appears against Juliana, widow of Gilbert le Teynturer. They have a day, viz., Monday after Feast of St. Ambrose. The same day was given to the said Berthram and Adam Lotekyn on a record of having judgment on default after default which Adam made, concerning a third part of a messuage, etc.

William Frere puts in his place Thomas ate Broke against Henry Beggewhate, John Pedde, John Passelewe, and John Pedde, on plea of trespass.

Hugh Lithwhine by Ernald de Mounteny, his attorney, appears against Edmund Gray and Agnes, his wife, on plea of debt. The Bailiffs are ordered to attach them, who report they cannot be found. Ordered to distrain and detain a rent of 15*sh.*, which they do., etc., until, etc., according to the liberty of Colchester.

* Monday is the last day mentioned. Perhaps "die Jovis" is a clerical error for "die Lune."

William Perffale, plaintiff, appears against Stephen Tannator, defendant, on plea of debt. The said Stephen called did not appear. In mercy. Distraint ordered, etc.

Adam le Chapman for licence to come to terms with William le Breet, in mercy.

John Ballok complains of Peter le Wylde on plea of covenant, finding pledges to prosecute Roger Mercator and Roger Sayher.

John Somer complains of John Aventurous on plea of trespass, finding pledges Adam Scot and Hugh Carnifex.

Membrane 9.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday, the Morrow of the Octave of Easter, in the 5th year of King Edward [3rd April.]

Essoigns.

John Aventerous against John Somer on plea of trespass, by Thomas Sayher.
William Clericus and Simon Toche, attorneys of John, Prior of Colne, against John Salyngg on plea of debt, by Wm. Leycestre.
Nota la Sowtes' against John Huft, trespass, by John le Cartere.
Richard Pegon against Alex. de Merseya, trespass, wherefore an inquisition, by Richard de Leyre.

Day given between Wm. Payne, plaintiff, and John Carectarius, defendant, to next hundred on prayer of the parties, without essoign.

William de Cruce, of St Osyth, for licence to come to terms whith Thomas Sayher, debt, in mercy, by pledge of Ralph Ode.

Philip de la Rokele distrained by great distress as it was ordered by the Sub-bailiffs, viz., by one broad washing vessel and a cloak of burrell,* and by this is not willing, etc. Therefore, etc.

John le Cotyler for licence to come to terms with Peter Musse, in mercy, by pledge of Wm. Nichodemus.

Stephen Tannator for licence to come to terms with Wm. Perffale, in mercy, by pledge of John de la Forde.

Still ordered to distrain John Brid to reply to Alex. atte Fenne.

INQUISITION taken by Freber Serviens, Thomas de Ratlesden and others, Jurors, who say on their oath that Roger Sayher assaulted John f. Rog: Mercator as is complained of above. John to recover damages. Roger in mercy by pledge of Richard Sayher and Richard Clericus.

Edmund Grymbaud and Agnes his wife for licence to come to terms with Master Hugh Lithwyne, debt.

Henry Beggewhate, John Peddere, and John Passelewe for licence to come to terms with Thomas ate Broke and William Frere.

John Somer complains that John Aventurous forestalled him in the purchase of two calves at Colchester market, and the former claims part of the bargain, but the latter detains it. The latter denies the charge and asks for an enquiry, etc.

John Bregutan and Henry Jordan for quarrelling with, and wounding each other, find pledges to end the said trespass, Henry Belch and John Swarthar.

[Burgess Admitted.]

The same day William Purdome entered the "burgage" of Colchester, taking the usual oaths, his pledges being Joseph Alyanore, William Nichodemus, Simon Serviens and Wm. Pentecost. Fined 40*d.*

*Burel, a coarse woollen cloth (Murray's *New English Dictionary*).

William, son of Nicholas ate Ponde, for a certain stall sold to the same as forfeit, fined 6*d*.

John Bollex for licence to come to terms with Thomas le Sinyere, on plea of trespass, by pledge of Geoffrey de Hadleye, in mercy, by Wm. Haselwod.

Philip de la Rokele for trespass made on Elena la Stott, in mercy.

John le Schepherde for selling measled meat in a forbidden place.

Philip de la Rokele complains of Elena de Claketon, trespass, and finds pledges to prosecute, viz., John de la Forde and Sayher de Donyland.

Henry ate Felde complains of Thomas de Horewod on plea of covenant, and to prosecute, finds pledges John Tinctor and William Nichodemus.

The said Thomas attached to reply, finds pledges John de Tendr' and William de Illeye.

Hubert Textor and Basilia his wife complains of John le Hoppere on plea of trespass, and to prosecute, finds pledges, viz., Richard Clericus and Simon Serviens.

The said John, attached to reply, finds pledge, Simon Serviens.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. Ambrose [10th April].

Essoigns.

Berthram del See against Adam Lotekyn, Gilbert de Clare de Subberiz, and Juliana, who was wife of Geoffrey le Teynturer, of Colchester, on plea of land, by Hubert de Colecestre.

Gilbert de Clare, of Sudbury, against the same Berthram del See, by Henry de Leycestre.

Herbert de Colecestre, essoign of Berthram del See, appears against Juliana le Teynturer.

A day was given to all the above parties, etc.

Hubert Textor and Basilia, his wife, by their attorney, complain of John le Hoppere on plea of trespass, that while they were in their house outside Suthscherde in the suburb of Colchester, the said John came and struck Basilia with a brass pan, shedding blood, etc. John denies the charge and asks for an enquiry, which is ordered.

INQUISITION taken at the instance of the Bailiffs, concerning hue raised in Heuedstrate in the night by Margery, sister of Thomas Capellanus, of Norwich, viz., by John le Payntur and others, who say that she raised hue on Richard, son of [Bartholomew?] le Chaucer justly, as he assaulted and struck her.

Philip de la Rokele complains of Elena de Claketon on plea of trespass, viz., that she stole some biletts and 'èschaets' of wood from his close in Estrate to the loss of 12*d*. Elena denying the charge, the jury find her not guilty, and Philip is in mercy, for his false complaint.

John le Coutere, living near Southscherde, for coming to terms with Hubert de Colecestre by pledge of Will. de Leycestre.

John le Hoppere for coming to terms with Batyn Textor, etc.

Membrane 9 *verso.*

Ralph Seffar complains of Richard ate Gate and Andrew, his son, trespass; pledges, Roger Prille and John le Wolef.

The said Andrew finds pledges, Rog. Prille and Ralph Cissor.

Enota Martyn complains of John Russel, trespass, and for prosecution pleads poverty. The said John's pledges are Joseph Alyanor and Roger Clericus.

Henry de Leycestre complains of John le Coupere and Margaret his wife, for detention of chattels, finding pledges Reginald Textor and John Sacok.

The said John, attached to reply, finds pledges, Will. de Stonhous, John Berd.

Lagwehundred, Colchester

Monday after Hokeday, 5th year of King Edward [17th April].

Essoigns.

William Clericus, attorney of John, Prior of Colne, against John de Salyng, by Hen. de Leycestre.
Peter le Wylde *v.* John Ballok, by Reggner Textor.
Nota la Souteres *v.* John Hust, by Simon de Donylond.
John Aventerous *v.* John Somer, by Richard Clericus.
Adam Otes *v.* John Seffar de Peldon, by John Jaye.
John de Salyng *v.* John, Prior of Colne, by Hubert de Colecestre.
Richard Pegon *v.* Alex. de Merseya, by Ernald de Monteny.
The Prior of St. Botulph, concerning common, by Will. Clericus.
Ralph Ode, for the same, by John Lotun.
Peter de Aseton, for the same, by John fil. Hugonis.
Roger de Heuenyngham, by Simon Toche.

John Aventerous appeared by his essoign against John Somer for trespass, who did not appear, and is in mercy, etc.

Day given between Ralph Seffar, plaintiff, and Richard ate Gate and Andrew, his son, to next hundred.

John le Coupere and Margaret, his wife, for licence to come to terms with Hen. de Leycestre by pledges of Wm. de Leycestria and Will. Bynorth.

Thomas de Horewod attached to reply to Henry ate Felde, for detention of cattle. That Henry came to Ardley and bought from Thomas 42 sheep for 39*sh.* 11*d.*; that he offered him the money on the day appointed, but Thomas refused it, by virtue of which refusal an action for claiming the sheep arose to the said Henry, etc., to his loss of 20*sh.* The said Thomas denies that the money was tendered, and is prepared, etc. Pledges for his law, Elyas fil. Johannis and Hen. Denny.

Verdict of the Jury on the articles considered, viz. :—

That Peter le Wylde appropriated a vacant plot opposite his tenement in Miland, and there made a ditch to the nuisance, etc. To level it.

That Thomas Blanch planted a hedge on the King's way at the tenement which he acquired from Will. Springold in Miland, and there made encroachment to the nuisance, etc.

That John Schurlok raised a ditch near his tenement in Miland to the nuisance, etc.

That Walter le Trumpour caused clay to be dug in Hole Lane whereby the road is spoilt. Ordered to repair it.

Henry le Fox and his brother caused clay to be dug.

[The Gallows.]

That the "fratres de Magdalen" caused a pit to be dug near the gallows, to the nuisance, etc. Ordered to fill it in.

furcas.

That Roger Wade raised hue unjustly on Walter le Marler on Monday called "Ropmonday."* In mercy.

That William, son of Roger de Elmham, is accustomed to fish on the common river bank and sells the fish for his support.

That William Gylemyn was indicted before Dom. William Howard, Justice in Traylebaston,† and after withdrew himself for a long time, after which he returned to his native country, but for what he was indicted the said jury know not.

* Rope Monday = Hock Monday, the Monday following the 2nd Sunday after Easter. (Murray's *New English Dictionary.*)

† Justices of Traylbaston were first appointed by Edward I. Their office was to inquire into certain offences, as the intrusion into other men's lands, robbery, breaking the peace, etc.; name derived from trailing or drawing the staff. (Jacob's *Law Dictionary.*)

[Forestalling, etc.]

That Roger Prentiz forestalled with fish and other saleable things.

That Roger, sometime servant of John Oldema[n], did the same, and warmed up meat and fish which had been cooked and baked.

Margery Oldeman, the same.

The following were guilty of forestalling:—

Thomas Cocus	Roger Daveys
John Ballok	Roger le Somenour
Thomas Holdeman	Hawyse Mundes
Margery la Smythes	Hawyse Skyppes
Isabella la Hukkestere	Basilia Pottere
Agnes Maynard	Isabella Welles

Adam Otes complains of John Seffare de Peldon, for detention of goods, and pleads poverty. Therefore, etc.

The said John, attached to reply, finds pledges, Roger Sayher and Richard Clericus.

Membrane 10.

Still Lagwehundred, Monday after Hokeday in the 5th year of King Edward [17th April].

[Brewers and Vintners Fined.]

Brewers.—They say that the following sell contrary to the assize, viz., a gallon for 1½*d*., viz.:—

Fined 6*d*: each.

The wife of Thomas Tynnot	The wife of Rob. Musse
,, Ric. de Colne	,, Ralph Seffare
,, Ric. de Copford	,, John Somer
The relict of Sayher Parmenter	Alice Prentiz
The wife of John de Teye	The wife of Thomas Bysouthen
Margery Brokkes	,, Sayher de Donylond
The wife of John Ayllet	,, Henry Denny
,, Rich. la Barbour	Amyee la Lauendere
,, John de London	The wife of James le Speller
Alice la Cotyler	,, Gilbert le Pyk
The wife of Roger Prille	Agnes la Marschall
,, Ric. de Wyseton	Emmota Spishale
The relict of Will. Frichet	The wife of Adam le Porter
The wife of John Edward	The relict of Adam de Cogg'
Lettice de Estorp	Joan Pakes
The wife of Peter de Harlyngg	

Vintners.

Fined 12*d*. John Hotfot sold for 5*d*.

Fined 6*d*. Richard Playfote did the same.

John fil. Rogeri Prille did the same.

Walter Tabernarius sold for 4*d*.

Matthew le Verrer did the same.

Richard ate Gate did the same.

[Sergeant Appointed.]

Serjeant. On the same day Richard de Legra, clerk, was admitted and sworn Serjeant in the place

of Richard Pegon on account of his impotence and weakness, to collect the toll, make arrests and other things pertaining to that office, till the said Richard should recover from his illness, taking the usual oaths and finding pledges Henry Seffar and Roger Sayher, etc.

The Commonalty of the Burgesses of the Town of Colchester granted, the same day, to William de Sartria a stall newly constructed for sale of woollen cloth from Easter to Easter, paying 4*sh.* for the year.

INQUISITION taken at the instance of the Bailiffs concerning hue raised by John Aylet, viz, by Roger Tinctor, Nich. Skinner, and others, Jurors, who say that he raised hue justly on Philip de la Rokele for entering into his enclosure beyond the fence to make a distraint for arrears of rent, whereas he could have made entry through the door, etc.

They also say that Philip de la Rokele raised hue justly on the said John for taking for a distraint and carrying off a tunic of the said Philip, and throwing it outside his close.

Peter Musse for licence to come to terms with John de Asseton, in mercy.

Philip Peddere convicted of selling fish in the market stinking and unfit for food, in mercy.

William Payn complains of John Carectarius of New Heath for trespass, viz., striking and assaulting him when in his boat at New Heath. John, pleading not guilty, asks for an enquiry.

Pleas, Colchester

Saturday before Feast of St. George [22nd April].

Adam Otes appeared against John Seffar de Peldon, to do his law as he pledged. John objects, as the said Adam came with two foreigners against the liberty of the Borough, which demands one burgess and one foreigner.

The same John puts in his place Roger Sayher to receive law from the said Adam.

Alexander Quintyn complains of David, Abbot of St. Osyth, for seizure and detention of cattle, and finds pledges to prosecute, Ralph Ode and Alexander Tabernarius, etc.

The said David, attached to reply, finds pledges, Simon Martyn and Hugh le Pottere, and they have a day.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. George [24th April].

Essoign.

Gilbert de Clare, of Subberiz, against Berthram del See, on plea of land, by Henry Guttere.

Juliana, widow of Geoffrey le Teynturer, and Gilbert de Clare, by H. Guttere, appear against Berthram del See on plea of land. The latter when called did not appear. Therefore, he and his pledge are in mercy, etc.

John Seffare, for contempt in making a distress on his own authority without writ or aid of the Bailiffs, confesses his fault and is in mercy.

Pleas

Friday after Feast of St. George [28th April].

INQUISITION made at the instance of the Bailiffs by John de Th . . . , James Tabourer and others, concerning hue raised at Hundepette, who say on their oath that Clarice la Breweres raised hue without cause, on John Whyting, as he did no hurt to her, but they say that Clarice

struck the said John thrice with a hen under his cheeks, therefore she is in mercy, by pledge of Richard de Colne.

The Jury also say that Roysia, wife of Robert le Beggere, raised hue justly on Christina, wife of Roger le Coverour, for assault.

Wysota, daughter of Peter Pistor, complains of Elena la Gerdlere for trespass, finding pledges, Peter Pistor and Richard de Leyre.

The said Elena attached to reply finds pledges, Simon le Gerdler and Simon Serviens.

Robert le Beggere and Roysia his wife complain of Roger le Coverour and of Christina his wife for trespass, and plead poverty. The said Roger and Christina find pledges, Roger Mercator and Henry Proud, etc.

Membrane 10 *verso.*

Hundred, Colchester

Monday, Feast of St. Philip and James [1st May], in the 5th year.

Essoigns :

Simon Serviens, attorney of William Payn, appears against John Carter, trespass. Wherefore an inquisition by John Arewesmith.
Peter le Wylde against John Ballok on plea of covenant, by John Gade.
William Clericus, attorney of John, Prior of Colne, against John de Salyng on plea of debt, by Philip de la Rokele.
John Sessare de Peldon against Adam Otes, trespass, wherefore law, by Walter Tabernarius.
The same Adam against the same, concerning the same, by Henry Guttere.
David, Abbot of St. Osyth, against Alex. Quinteyn, seizure and detention of cattle, by Th. Blanch.
John Russell against Enota Martyn, trespass, by Henry ate Felde.
Thomas Horewod against Henry ate Felde, plea of covenant, by Simon Gerdler.

Peter Wylde for coming to terms with Alex. Gerald, trespass. Pledge, Henry de Leycestre.

Still a day is given for Ralph Seffar, plaintiff, Richard ate Gate and Andrew his son, defendants. To next Hundred, etc.

Roger le Coverour for making a rescue on the Bailiffs in respect of a certain pig distrained for a trespass by Robert le Beggere and Roysia his wife. On which account the Bailiffs raised hue on the said Roger.

John Whyting for licence to come to terms with Robert Carectarius, in mercy.

[Burgess Admitted.]

John le Bowyer, of Dedham, entered the "burgage," on the same, day paying 5*sh.* fine and taking the usual oaths; pledges, Robert Olyver, Henry Denny, Ernald de Mounteny, and Warin ate Welle.

John Hust complains of Nota la Souteres, of New Heath, Colchester, on plea of trespass, viz., that she assaulted and abused him, accusing him of obtaining his goods from foreigners, etc. Nota denies the charge. An enquiry granted.

INQUISITION taken between Robert le Beggere, Roysia his wife, plaintiffs, and Roger le Coverour and Christina his wife, defendants, namely, by John de Thoryton, James le Taborer, and others, who say that Christina struck Robert and his son, with stones, and threw "putridam urinam" over Roysia his wife, etc.

William de Mellford complains of Richard de Donewyz and Thomas his companion. Pledges, Simon Serviens and Peter Prest.

The said Richard and Thomas distrained by a warrant and 13*sh.*

John Hust complains of the said Richard and Thomas for trespass. Pledges, Henry Seffare and Simon Serviens.

The said Richard and Thomas to reply, as above, etc.

Alota Bompe complains of Agnes la Bukkes for trespass, and asserts that she is a pauper. Agnes fines a pledge, Edmund Grimbaud.

John le Arewesmith complains of John le Wolef on a plea of debt, and for prosecution finds pledges Gilbert Pyk and William Nichodemus. Therefore, etc.

Pleas, Colchester

Saturday after Ascension Day [6th May].

William de Meleford complains of Richard de Donewyz and Thomas his companion, for an assault. Enquiry ordered and taken by John Gage, William ate Clyve, etc., acquits Richard and finds Thomas guilty.

On the same day an enquiry by Peter Musse, Edmund Grimbaud, etc., finds that Alota is a common litigious person, and has judgment as is befitting.

Richard de Donewyz and Thomas his companion for licence to come to terms with John Hust, in mercy, by pledges, John le Gage and Simon Serviens.

Pleas, Colchester

Monday after Ascension Day [8th May].

Essoign.

Agnes Bukkes against Alota Bompe, by Edm. Grimbaud.

Robert Virly and Margery his wife complain of John fil. Rogeri Prille, and for prosecution find pledges, John Proffete.

The said John, attached to reply, finds pledges, viz., Roger Prille and Richard Clericus.

The same John for licence to come to terms with the said Robert and Margery his wife, in mercy. Pledges, Roger Prille and John Proffete.

John de Aseton complains of Peter Faber. Pledges, Simon Serviens and Will. Nichodemus. Pledges of Peter, Richard Serviens and W. Nichodemus.

William de Pyggesle and John, his brother, complain of Adam Brage, trespass. Pledges, Ralph Ode and Simon Serviens.

Adam's pledge, Adam Godfelawe.

Alex. Quintyn puts in his place Henry Denny against David, Abbot of St. Osyth, for seizure and detention of cattle.

Membrane 11.

Hundred of Colchester

Monday in Whitsun Week in the 5th year of the reign of King Edward [15th May].

Essoigns.

Henry atte Felde against Thomas de Horewod on plea of covenant, by Bartholomew ate Cornhell, whence law.
Elena la Gerdler against Wysota f. Petri Pistoris, trespass, by Stephen Martion.
David, Abbot of St. Osith, against Alex. Quintyn, seizure and detention of cattle, by Ernald de Mounteny.

Peter Faber against John de Aseton, debt, by John Hauek.
Peter le Wylde against John Ballok, covenant, by Simon Hulle.

Nota la Souteres for licence to come to terms with John Hust in plea of trespass, in mercy.

Adam Otes appears against John Seffar of Peldon, to do his law as he had pledged. John did not appear nor essoign. Therefore he and his pledges are in mercy, and Adam also in mercy.

Day given to John, Prior of Colne, defendant, and John de Salyngg, plaintiff, to the next hundred.

Robert le Beggere and Roysia his wife, for coming to terms with Roger le Coverour and Christina his wife, in mercy.

Richard ate Gate and Andrew his son appear against Ralph Seffare, in plea of trespass. The said Ralph summoned did not come nor essoign. The said Richard and Andrew may go quit, and Ralph and his pledges be in mercy.

INQUIRY taken by Henry le Longe, John Boge and others, Jurors, between William Payn, plaintiff, and John Carter, defendant, on plea of trespass, in which they submitted themselves as appears above; who say on oath that John le Cartere did no damage to the said William Payn as he complained of the same; he is therefore acquitted and William and his pledges are in mercy.

In mercy, pleads poverty.

Enota Martyn appeared against John Russel on plea of trespass, who when called did not appear nor essoign. He and his pledges therefore are in mercy, and must have a better pledge against the next hundred to reply to the same.

Order.

John le Arewesmith appeared against John le Wolef on plea of debt, the said John distrained by one brass pot will not by that justify himself. He is therefore determined to hold that and take more until, etc.

Mercy, 6*d*.

Alota Bompe for licence to come to terms with Augustine la Bokkes on plea of trespass is in mercy. Pledge, Richard de Colne.

William de Piggesle complains of Adam Brage on plea of trespass, viz., that on Sunday [7th May] after the Feast of St. Philip and James the said Adam assaulted him in the King's highway at Old Heath, within the liberty of Colchester, opposite the tenement of William ate Clyve, tearing his cap of "Pownaz" (pounce), valued at 12*d*., seizing him by the neck till blood flowed, etc., and thereto produces suit.

The said Adam pleaded not guilty and asks for an enquiry, finding pledges, John Godfelaw and Adam Godwyne, etc.

John de Pygesle complains of the same Adam Brage of an assault at the said time and place, the said Adam striking him with his fist, and thereto produces suit.

The said Adam denies the charge and asks for an enquiry, etc.

Ernald de Mounteny complains of Christina Botes on plea of covenant, and to prosecute finds pledges, William Nich' and Richard Clericus. Therefore it is ordered, etc.

The same Ernaldus puts in his place Henry Denny against the said Christina in the said plea.

Martin Morisse complains of Geoffrey de Stebbyng on plea of trespass, and, to prosecute, finds pledges, William de Sartria and Richard de Legra. Therefore it is ordered, etc.

The said Geoffrey, attached to reply, finds pledges, Roger Sayher and John Lotun.

The same Martin complains of John de Stebbyng on plea of trespass, finding the same pledge. The said John find pledges, Simon Barbitonsor and John Lamb, and the parties have a day, viz., Monday in Trinity week.

The same Martin puts in his place Richard de Leyre, clerk, against the said John and Geoffrey in the aforesaid plea.

Pleas

Saturday, Vigil of Holy Trinity [20th May].

[Riotous Proceedings.]

ENQUIRY taken at the instance of the Bailiffs by Richard le Barbour, John de Lindon and others, Jurors, on a certain hue raised on the previous Friday, who say on oath that a certain Walter, servant of Dom. John de Belhous, came into the market place, Colchester, opposite the house of Roger Daveys, and assaulted the same Roger, striking him with his bow and pursuing him with his sword drawn into his house, so that the said Roger raised hue justly on the said Walter, whereon came John Lotun, Richard de Copford and John Hotfot to the rescue of the said Roger, and struck and drew blood from the said Walter.

The same Walter complains of the said John Lotun, Richard de Copford and John Hotfot on plea of trespass, finding pledges to prosecute, viz., Robert Olyver and Thomas de la Mote.

The said John, Richard and John find pledges, Peter le Wylde, Richard le Barbur, Alexander Taverner, Sayher Clericus, Roger Tinctor, and Simon Toche. They have a day, etc.

Pleas, Colchester

Monday after Trinity Sunday [22nd May].

[Enquiries as to Assaults.]

Richard de Leyre, attorney of Martin Morisse, complains of John de Stebbyngges and Geoffrey his brother, on plea of trespass, of an assault with effusion of blood made by them on the said Martin on Whit-Sunday in the said John's house at the tavern while he was in peace with the King and Bailiffs, etc. Damages claimed, 20*s*.

The accused John denies the charge and asks for an enquiry, which being granted, and taken by John le Tayllur, Robert Justice and others, Jurors, it is found that John is not guilty.

The said Geoffrey confesses that he took Martin by the arm and he fell against a certain wall making his nose bleed. Decided that Martin may recover iis., and peace is made between the two by the Bailiffs' permission. Geoffrey's pledges being John de . . . lyng and Stephen le Spicer.

On the same day an enquiry was taken at the instance of the bailiffs by Roger le Somenour, Roger Daveys and other Jurors, for a hue raised on Trinity Sunday, who say that Regina, wife of Robert Justis, raised hue justly on John le Latone for assaulting the said Regina and Robert in their house.

Also that Simon Primeth raised hue justly on Geoffrey de Stebbyng because he saw that his sword was drawn on Godfroy, clerk to the said Nicholas [*sic*.], and he thought he wished to strike him. Therefore he is in mercy.

Membrane 11 *verso.*

Also that Adam Scot raised hue on Simon de Snapes and Hugh his servant justly, who assaulted him. Pledge, Richard Clericus.

[A Litigious Person Fined.]

Roysia, wife of Thomas de Langslade, charged by the bailiffs with being a common litigious person among her neighbours, denies the charge, but on enquiry made by Thomas Delle and Michael Naplef she is found guilty and fined 3*d*.

Roger Cole complains of Simon Hunte on plea of trespass, and finds pledges, Henry le Linge and Thomas atte Mersch.

The said Simon distrained by a boat, etc.

John Rycheman complains of John, Prior of Merseye, in plea of trespass, finding for a pledge his boat.

The said John the Prior distrained by a ship, and afterwards finds pledges, William Clericus, Thomas Bysuth and Nicholas Bysouth, etc.

Simon de Snapes complains of Adam Scot on plea of trespass, and to prosecute finds pledges.

The said Adam was attached to reply, finding pledges, Alexander Taverner and Richard de Legra.

Sewallus Pope of Fyngrinho complains of Richard Blyndok on plea of debt, finding pledges, John Cartere and Henry Beggewhate, the said Richard being distrained by a ship.

Thomas Curteys complains of Roger Alfred on plea of debt, finding pledge, Elyas fil. Johannis, Roger's pledges being Richard Blunt and Simon Serviens.

John de Wolef, attached to reply to John le Arewesmith, finds pledges, William Naplef and John le Cotyler.

Gwilliam de Roos complains of Henry Seffare on plea of debt, finding pledges, William Clericus and William Nich'. The said Henry distrained by a silver cup, but it was ordered to retain that and take more, etc.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. Augustine, in the 5th year of King Edward [29th May].

Essoigns.

Henry atte Felde against Thos. de Horewod, on plea of covenant, by Simon Grace.
Simon le Gerdlere against Hawise fil. Petri Pistoris, trespass, by Stephen Marcion.
William de Pygesle against Adam Brage, trespass, by John le Arewesmith, wherefore an enquiry.
David, Abbot of St. Osyth, against Alexander Quintyn, on plea of seizure and detention of cattle, by William Thurstayn.
Henry Denny, attorney of John de Horewod, against Hatfield [*sic*], on plea of covenant, by Edmund Grymbaud.
Peter Musse against John de Aseton, on plea of debt, for Alfred le Cotyler.
John le Wolef against John le Arewesmyth, on plea of debt, by William Naplef.
Adam Scot against Simon de Suspes, trespass, by William de Herle.
Henry Denny, attorney of Alexander Quintyn, against David, Abbot of St. Osyth, seizure and detention of cattle, by Thomas Quintyn.
Roger Alfred against Thomas Curtays, debt, by Richard Blunt.

Hawyse fil. Petri Pistoris, plaintiff, appears against Elena la Gerdler, defendant, who did not come or essoign. Therefore she and her pledges in mercy, etc.

John de Salyng for licence to come to terms with John, Prior of Colne, on plea of covenant, in mercy; pledges, William Clericus and William Denny.

Day given to John Ballok, plaintiff, and Peter Wilde, defendant, to the next hundred.

John Lotun, Richard de Copford and John Hotfot appear against Walter, servant of Dom. John de Belhous, who did not appear nor essoign, etc.

Ordered to distrain John Russel to reply to Enota Martyn on plea of trespass. Also Christina Botes to reply to Ernald de Mounteny on plea of covenant.

Sewallus Pope puts in his place Henry Denny against Richard Blyndok on plea of debt.

John de Peldon for licence to come to terms with Peter Wylde in plea of debt, in mercy, by pledge of Simon Serviens.

Pleas, Colchester

Tuesday next after Feast of St. Augustine [30th May].

William Clericus, attorney of John, Prior of Mersey, against John Rycheman on plea of trespass, by Henry Leycestre. Day given.

Pleas, Colchester

Monday, Feast of St. Boniface [5th June].

Essoigns.

John Rycheman against John, Prior of Mersey, by Ralph Ode.
The same Prior against J. Rycheman, by Henry Denny.

John de Aseton complains of Peter Musse for trespass, finding pledges, Elyas f. Johannis and Robert Parles.

The said Peter, attached to reply, finds pledges, Joseph Alyanore and William de Leycestre.

[Tax for Repair of Walls and Gates.]

INQUIRY taken at the instance of the Bailiffs on Friday before the Feast of St. Barnabas in the aforesaid year, namely, by Alexander Taverner, John ate Leye and other Jurors, concerning a certain hue raised by Richard de Leyra, who say on their oath that the aforesaid Richard raised hue on Master Henry Toche justly for that the same Master Henry forbade the same Richard to act in the matter of a certain distraint at his house for arrear of tallage assessed throughout the whole community for the repair of the walls and gates of the Borough of Colchester. Therefore in mercy. It was ordered to distrain the said Master Henry to reply to the Bailiffs and Commonalty, and he came and owned that he had done as was above stated, and puts himself, etc.

Tax on all the community for repair of walls and gates of the Borough.

[Litigious Women.]

Emmota de Horsted, Agnes Kynges, Olyva Musse, and Agnes Musse were charged by the Bailiffs with being litigious persons continually to the annoyance of the neighbours, who make serious complaints about them. They come and say that they are not guilty and demand an enquiry. On this an enquiry is held by John le Cotyler, Ralph de Porter and others, Jurors, who say on their oath that the said Emmota is guilty and must stand judgment, but as a favour afterwards makes a fine so that if she offend again she must submit to judgment without respite.

Peter de Aseton complains of Clement de Maldon on plea of trespass . . .

The said Clement, attached to reply, finds pledge, viz., Simon Serviens.

Philip de la Rokele complains of William de Whithmarsche on plea of debt, and for prosecution finds pledge, Warin fil. Willelmi.

The said William, attached to reply to the same, finds pledges, viz., Elyas fil. Johannis and Nicholas le V . . . A day was given to the parties.

Membrane 12.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday, the day after St. Barnabas Day [12th June], in the 5th year of King Edward.

Essoigns.

John le Wolef against John le Arewesmith, by Stephen Marcion.
William de Pyggesley against Adam Brag', by Ralph Ode.

John de Pyggesley against the same, by John le Arewesmith
John Richeman against John, Prior of Merseye, by Henry Guttere.
Henry Denny, attorney of Alexander Quintyn, against David, Abbot of St. Osyth, by Henry de Leycestre.
Henry Denny, attorney of William de Whithmersch, against Philip de la Rokele and Robert ate Gate.
Richard Taverner against Richard ate Gate, by John Gade.
Henry atte Felde against Thomas de Horewod, by John Lyste.
Roger Alfred against Thomas Curteys, by William de Leycestre.
Peter Musse against John de Aseton, by Aufred le Cotyler.
Adam Scot against Simon de Snapes, by Hugh Baggard.

The Abbot of St. Osyth puts in his place Ernulph de Mounteny or John de Neylond against Alexander Quintyn.

Thomas de Horewode comes with his law, etc., against Henry ate Felde. Henry in mercy, and Thomas finds pledges, Ralph Ode and William Clericus.

William de Whitmersch puts in his place Henry Denny against Philip de la Rokele.

Gwilliam de Ross appears by William Clerk, his attorney, against Henry Seffar, who was distrained by two silver cups, etc.

A day given to John de Aseton, querent, and Peter Musse, defendant, in two disputes. To the next hundred without essoign.

Clement de Maldon to come to terms with Peter de Aseton, by pledge, John Hust.

Roger de Heveningham puts in his place Walter de Chiddeberwe to do suit for his tenement which he holds within the Borough.

It is ordered to distrain John Russell to answer plea of Enot Martyn.

Ditto, Christina Botes in plea of Ernald de Mounteny.

Ditto, Simon le Hunte in plea of Roger Cole.

Ditto, Richard Blundel in plea of Sewal Pope.

Peter le Wylde, for licence to come to terms with John Ballok, in mercy, 6*d*.

Order to distrain on Hawyse, daughter of Peter Pistor, to reply to Simon le Gerdeler.

[Concerning a Wall of Earth.]

Rent, 2*d*. On the same day the Commonalty of Burgesses of Colchester granted to Ralph de Farnham, at the request of friends, that the wall of earth [murus terre] which Adam Plantyng, lately deceased, planted on the King's highway near the door of his house in the suburb of Colchester which he had by grant and feoffment of Dom. Robert, formerly Rector of Holy Trinity Church, without le Heuedgate, should remain and not be levelled, but the said Ralph to pay for the same two pence yearly at Michaelmas to the Commonalty and Bailiffs for all services.

[Right of Way to the "Court of the Hall of Pleas."]

Grant of Rent, 4*d*. The same day the Commonalty of Burgesses of Colchester granted to Elyas fil. Johannis service [servitutem] of ingress and egress which they had through a certain place which Sayher de Donylond holds from the market place up to the Court of the Hall of Pleas, which place formerly Jordan fil. Olyveri held, by four pence of annual rent to the Commonalty of Burgesses, as is more fully contained in a charter between them made.

Pleas

Wednesday after Feast of St. Barnabas, same year [13th June].

Essoign.

John Rycheman against John, Prior of Mersey, for trespass, by Hugh Denny.

The said Prior not appearing when the case came on, he and his pledges were in mercy, and ordered to be at the next Hundred.

[Bread Tested—Bakers Fined].

The Bread of the Colchester bakers was taken on Saturday the Feast of St. Botulph [17th June], and weighed on the Sunday following by Thomas Tinnot, Peter Pistor, John Sacok, and William Pottere, Jurors, concerning the sale of corn on the last market day.

The following fines were made:

12*d*. Matilda de Lyncolne, lack in one farthing wastell, 15*d*.
18*d*. Peter Pistor, lack in the same, 2*sh*. 9*d*.
12*d*. Goldyng Pistor, lack in the same, 15*d*.
12*d*. Robert Musse, lack in one farthing simnel, 9*d*.
12*d*. German Pistor, lack in the same, 3*sh*. 1*d*.
2*sh*. Thomas Pistor, lack in the same, 20*d*.
2*sh*. William ate Park, lack in one half-penny white loaf, 2*sh*. 11*d*.
12*d*. William Pottere, lack in the same, 4*sh*. 3*d*.
8*d*. William Hendy, in one farthing loaf of whole corn, 2*sh*. 4*d*.
12*d*. Margery Brok, lack in the same, 20*d*.
18*d*. William de Leycestre, lack in the same, 2*sh*. 1*d*.
2*sh*. 6*d*. Thomas Tinnot, lack in the same, 4*sh*. 1*d*.
12*d*. Alice Supra-murum, lack in the same, 15*d*.
—— Agness la Smythes, lack in one half-penny loaf of whole wheat, 6*sh*. 6*d*.

Roger Tinctor complains of Elyas Carpenter on plea of trespass, finding pledges, viz., John Tinctor and John Hereward; Elyas finds pledges, Ralph Ode and John Rok.

Henry Seffare, attached to reply to William de Ross, finds pledges, viz., William Alfred and Richard Clerk de Legra.

John Byles complains of William le Bret for trespass, finding pledges, William de Copford and William de Leycestre.

The said William, attached to reply, finds pledges.

Membrane 12 *verso*.

Hundred of Colchester

Monday after Nativity of St. John Baptist, in the 5th year of King Edward [26th June].

Essoigns.

Henry Denny, attorney of William de Whithmersch, against Philip de la Rokele, debt, by John Parles.
Adam Scot against Simon de Snapes, trespass, by Philip Barbour.
Henry Seffare against Gwilliam de Ross, debt, by John le Arewesmyth.
John le Wolef against John le Arewesmith, debt, by John Gade.
Richard le Taverner against Richard ate Gate, debt, by John Joye.
Henry Denny, attorney of Alex. Quintyn, against David, Abbot of St. Osyth, detention of cattle, by Andrew ate Gate.
Philip de la Rokele against William de Whitemersch, debt, by Ralph le Verrere.
Ernulph de Monnteny, attorney of the Abbey of St. Osyth, against Alex. Quintyn, detention of cattle, by James de Bures.
John de Neylond, another attorney of the said Abbot, against the same, concerning the same, by Roger Clericus.
John de Pyggesle against Adam Brag, trespass, by Richard Sayher.
William le Bret against John Byles, trespass, by Edmund Grimband.

Another day given for the case John de Aseton *v*. Peter Faber.

Mercy, 12*d*. John Rycheman, plaintiff, did not appear against the Prior of Merseye, in mercy.

Mercy, 6*d*. Thomas Curteys for licence to agree with Roger Alfred, Clerk, in mercy.

Mercy, 6*d*. Henry atte Hegge, of Donewyz, to come to an agreement with Peter Wylde, in mercy. Pledge, John Proffete.

Mercy, 6*d*. William de Pyggesle, to come to an agreement with Adam Brag on plea of trespass. Pledges, William de Sartria and William de Sartria.

Mercy, 3*d*. Christina la Botes, to come to an agreement with Ernulph de Mounteny, in mercy. Pledge, Will. de Sartria.

Mercy, 3*d*. Elyas Carpenter, the same, with Roger Tinctor, in mercy. Pledge, William de Sartria.

[Damages for Assault].

Mercy, 6*d*. Geoffrey de Hadleye complains of John Thalebot for assaulting him with an oak stick, etc., on Sunday after Feast of St. John Baptist [25th June] in a suburb of Colchester in North Strete beyond North bridge, and claims damages 40*s*.

The said John pleads guilty and asks for favour. Verdict, that Geoffrey may recover 2*sh*. damages. Pledge for the said John, John Bollok.

[The Price of Herrings].

John Proffete was charged by the Bailiffs that whereas a certain stranger came to the Colchester market and exposed for sale herrings at eight-a-penny, the said John reproved him, saying that he should have sold them at four-a-penny, disturbing the market, etc., to the great scandal of the Town. And that he has been accustomed to do the same with various other merchandise coming to the market.

The said John pleads not guilty and asks for an enquiry, which is made by Richard Leyre, John Ballok, Thomas Cocus, etc., who find him guilty and caution him not to so offend again.

John Pyk comes before the Bailiffs and Coroner, and proved by John Maydengod and Henry atte Felde, sworn and examined, that he was threatened of life and limb by William Bompestre.

The said William finds pledges, Richard ate Gate, William Nich', Simon Serviens, and Richard de Leyre, etc.

Fine, 40*d*. Roger fil. Alfred, clerk, for certain trespasses.

Mercy, 6*d*. From Stephen Tannator, for non-appearance.

The same day came Roger Alfred, clerk, and acknowledged that he was held to Juliana, wife of William Gray, of Colchester, in 60*sh*. 11*d*., to be paid to her before Feast of the Assumption [15th Aug.], without further delay.

Pleas

Wednesday after Feast of St. Peter and St. Paul [5th July].

[Arrears of Wall-Gavel].

Walgavel. ENQUIRY made by direction of the Bailiffs concerning flax [linum] and beans [fab'] carried away against the warning of the Bailiffs on a certain piece of moor for arrears of Walgavel in Morstrate, viz., by John Tannator, Nicholas le Coupere and others, who say on oath that Peter Vinger took the flax and John Charrer the beans, and exposed them for sale against the warning of the Bailiffs.

Therefore it is ordered to distrain the said Peter and John.

Hawyse, daughter of Peter Pistor, attached to reply to Simon le Gerdler; pledges, Peter Pistor and Richard de Leyre, clerk.

Margery de Northwyke complains of Richard fil. Bartholomew le Blake, and pleading poverty, it is ordered, etc.

The said Richard finds pledges, etc.

Membrane 13.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Feast of Translation of St. Thomas, Martyr [10th July], in the 6th year of the reign of King Edward.

Essoigns.

Richard Taverner against Richard atte Gate, concerning a plea of debt, by Henry Guttere. Third time.
Robert Marshall against John Propffete, for trespass, by John de Ferlyngg. First time.
Henry Seffar against Gwilliam de Ros, for debt (appeared by his attorney), by Richard Sayher. Second time.
Ernulf de Mounteny and John de Neylond, attorneys of the Abbot of St. Osyth, against Alexander Martyn (appeared by his attorney), for detention of cattle, by Warin Dest . . .
William le Bret against John Byles, for trespass, by Richard de Waltham. First time.

John Pyggesle for licence to come to terms with Adam Brag', in mercy, by pledge of Richard Sayher and Simon Serviens.

William de Whithmersh appeared by Henry Denny, his attorney, against Philip de la Rokele, for debt; the said Philip being called came not, nor sent excuse. Therefore the said William may go free and Philip and his pledges in mercy.

Peter Musse, wright, for licence to come to terms with John de Aseton in two complaints, by pledge of Ralph Ode.

Simon de Snapes complains of Adam Scot on plea of trespass, that as the former was in Colchester Market-place on Trinity Sunday in the 5th year of the King [21st May, 1312], the said Adam came opposite the tenement of John Aylet and assaulted the said Simon, striking him with his fist, etc., to the damage of 20*sh.* He produces suit.

Adam denying the assualt asks for an enquiry.

John Profete, being convicted of many trespasses, is in mercy by his pledges William Profale, Richard Dyer, John Geywod, and Peter de Aseton.

[A Question of Suretyship for Debt].

John le Wolef, attached to reply to John le Arowesmyth on plea of debt, the latter complaining that the former unjustly detains from him 5*sh.* which John de Arowesmyth says he lent to John Busch on St. John Baptist's day three years ago, to the repayment of which John Wolef was surety, and though John le Arowesmyth has repeatedly demanded the money, John le Wolef refuses to pay it.

The said John le Wolef say that he is no way bound to the said John by reason of his being surety of John Busch, and asks for an enquiry.

An enquiry is ordered, and he is prepared to defend by his law, finding pledges for the same, Warin fil. Willelmi and Matthew le Verrer.

[About a Stone Wall].

William de Stonhous charged by the Bailiffs concerning a stone wall carried outside* his moor† into Bereslane and that he exposed it for sale, to the heavy loss, etc. The said William pleads not guilty and demands an enquiry, which was given and taken by Walter Fullo, Goldyng Baker and others, who say on their oath that William is not guilty and he is therefore acquitted.

Simon le Gerdler complains of Hawise, daughter of Peter Baker, on plea of trespass, viz., that when Simon was at peace in his house outside the "Suthscherda" of Colchester, Hawise came up and assaulted him with a stone, etc.

* He seems to have carried off (asporto) the wall itself!

† It is doubtful here and elsewhere what "mora" means. Du Cange gives three meanings: (i.) a moor (ii.) a dwelling house (iii.) a mulberry tree.

The said Hawise pleaded not guilty and an enquiry was granted.

Peter Vinger because he was convicted by inquisition for carrying off flax was attached by the Bailiffs by a certain moor outside Suthport [South Gate] against the defence of the Bailiffs, in mercy.

John Charrer for the same, in pledge of William Clerk.

On the following Tuesday came Walter de Firmaria before the Bailiffs and acknowledged that he was bound for Alexander Engayne, called Cook, to Sayher de Donylond in half-a-mark of silver payable to the said Sayher at Christmas Day next without further delay.

John Godegrom, because he did not prosecute John de Whersted for trespass, is in mercy.

The same John de Whersted for withdrawing himself in the same plea, in mercy by pledges.

John de Stutton complains of John Cokschote on plea of trespass, and concerning the prosecution pleads poverty.

The said John, attached to answer to the same, finds pledges, Peter Faber and Edmund Gray, and they have a day, etc.

Pleas Colchester

Wednesday after Feast of St. Thomas [13th July].

John Cokschote against John de Stutton for trespass, by John de Aseton. They have a day.

Joan Pakes complains of Guy Cuthand and Clemence his wife, on plea of trespass, and for prosecution finds pledges, Joseph Alyanore and Richard Pake, etc.

The said Guy and Clemence, attached to answer to the same, find pledges, viz., William Hendy and Richard de Leyre, and they have a day, the next Thursday.

The same Joan Pakes puts in her place Peter, her son, in the said plea.

Pleas, Colchester

Thursday after the said Feast [14th July].

[Assault in Colchester Market].

Joan Pakes by the said Peter, her attorney, complains that as she was in the King's highway near "Berestal" in Colchester market, the said Clemence came up, for want of chastisement of the said Guy, and assaulted the said Joan, striking her with her fist and a stick, and tearing her cloak and scarf to the damage of 40*sh.*

The said Guy came and confessed to the said assault and begs for mercy. It was considered that Joan might recover the said 40*sh.*

Pleas, Colchester

Monday Before Feast of St. Margaret [17th July].

John de Stutton, for not prosecuting John Cockschote, is in mercy by pledges.

[Burgesses Admitted].

On the same day William Lucas entered the "Burgage" of Colchester and swore that he would faithfully, etc. Pledges, William Clerk, Richard le Barker, Sayher de Donylond, and Henry Counteprud. Fine, one mark.

On the same day John Lucas did the same, William Profete, Richard atte Gate, Arnulph de Mounteney, and William Gray. Fine, one mark.

Also Richard de Essex on the same day entered the "Burgage," etc. Pledges, Ralph Seffare Joseph Alyanore, and William Nichodemus and another. Fine, one mark

Elena Ravenes complains of Sampson Fullo on plea of trespass, finding pledges to prosecute John . . .

The same Sampson to reply to the charge finds pledge, Sayher de Donylond.

Membrane 13 *verso.*

Hundred, Colchester

MONDAY, VIGIL OF ST. JAMES APOSTLE [24TH JULY] IN THE SIXTH YEAR OF KING EDWARD.

Essoigns.

William le Bret against John Byles on plea of trespass, by John Gade. Third time.
Robert Marshall against John Proffete, trespass, by Henry de Leycestre. Second time.
Adam Scot against Simon de Snapes, trespass, wherefore an enquiry, by Simon Stace. First time.
Henry Denny, attorney of Alexander Quintyn, against David, Abbot of St. Osyth, for detention of cattle, by Roger de Somenour.
Henry Seffare against Gwilliam de Roos [appeared by attorney], debt, by Rob. de Breche. Third time.
John Aventerous against Ralph Wade [appeared by attorney], debt, by Henry Guttere. First time.
Richard ate Gate against Richard le Taverner, on plea of debt, by . . . afterwards came.

John Profete, plaintiff, because he does not prosecute Robert Marshall, he and his pledges in mercy.

John le Arowesmith for licence to come to terms with John le Wolef on plea of debt, in mercy by pledge, W. Wolef.

Richard le Taverner for licence to come to terms with Richard ate Gate in mercy, by pledge of W. de Sartria. The same Richard came before the Bailiffs and acknowledged that he was held to the same Richard ate Gate in four shillings due to the same, each week 12*d.*

Elena Ravenes complains of Sampson Fullo on plea of trespass, viz., that as the said Elena had a pig going on the King's highway within Northport (North Gate), Colchester, the said Sampson killed it with a stick. Claims 2*sh.*

Sampson defends, and is found not guilty.

Hawise, daughter of Peter Baker, for trespass against Simon le Gerdler, is in mercy by pledge of the said Peter.

John Wynterflod came before the Bailiffs and acknowledged that he is bound to Walter Baker, of Cogg[eshall ?], in 9*sh.*

[LITIGIOUS PERSONS.]

ENQUIRY made by the Bailiffs in respect of Rose Wrenne and Hawise Mundes, charged with being common litigious persons. John Ballok, Thomas Cote, and others find that Hawise is guilty and must bear judgment, but by favour of the Court she paid a fine, but if she be accused of the same hereafter, she must submit to judgment without redemption.

ENQUIRY by direction of the Bailiffs, by Walter Fullo, Goldyng the baker, and other jurors concerning the killing of a pig of Richard Clericus in the garden of Roger Alfred, clerk, finds the pig was killed by Roger's servant.

Richard de Leyre, clerk, complains of Roger Alfred, clerk, for trespass, finding pledge, Alexander Taverner and his servant.

The said Roger's pledges were John de Botteringham and his own servant.

William Gylemyn complains of Matin Marescall on plea of covenant, finding pledges to prosecute, Warin fil. Willelmi and W. Nichodemus, Martin's pledges being John de Forda and John Rotar'.

Adam Otes complains of John Qwayk for trespass, finding pledges, William de Sartria and Richard Clericus, the said John's pledge being Richard Noreys.

Pleas

Saturday before Feast of St. Peter ad Vincula [29th July].

John Qwayk answers the charge of Adam Otes, who accused him of detaining part of price of 15 sheep which he sold to him, etc.

INQUIRY made by John le Arrowesmith, Reygner Textor, and others, concerning hue and cry raised by Juliana la Hunter on Osbert, servant of John Maymund, find that no harm was done, but that she is a litigious person. In mercy, 3*d*.

Pleas

Monday, Vigil of St. Peter ad Vincula [31st July].

Essoigns.

William Gylemyn against Martin Marescall, by Henry de Felsted.
John Qwayk against Adam Ottes, for covenant, by Warin fil. Willelmi.
John Qwayk appears against Adam Ottes, for debt, by the same.

Pleas

Saturday after Feast of St. Peter ad Vincula [5th August].

Adam Otes defends the charge of John Quayk, that being partners in business, they bought two oxen, price two marks per carcase, and selling one to the Abbot of St. John's, Colchester, the said Adam gave him half a mark short of his share of two marks for which he sold it. Adjourned to next hundred.

John, called Marchaunt, chaplain, complains of Richard Carpenter and Catherine his wife for detention of goods, finding pledges to prosecute, Robert Wade and Gilbert le Verrer, the said Richard and Catherine finding pledges, Roger Wade and Thomas de Brege.

Pleas

Vigil of the Assumption [14th August].

Essoign.

Richard Carpenter and Catherine, his wife, against John le Marchaunt, chaplain, for detention of goods, by John le Barker.

Pleas

Feast of the Assumption [15th August].

Essoign.

The same Richard and Catherine against the same John, by Roger Faber.

On Sunday after the said Feast [20th August], the same case was continued.*

*The roll ends here, being imperfect.

Roll III.

Membrane 1.

Roll of Pleas, COLCHESTER

In the time of WARIN FIL. WILLELMI and JOSEPH ELYANORE, Bailiffs of Colchester from Michaelmas, in 3rd year, up to the same feast in the next year.

Lawehundred

MONDAY AFTER FEAST OF MICHAELMAS IN THE 3RD YEAR [2ND OCT., 1329].

Essoigns.

Henry Osekyn against Henry Denny, debt, by John Bussh.
John Wyger against Richard de Monteny, debt, by Will. de Sartrie.
Ralph le Foweler against John Somer, plea of covenant, whence law, by William Sartrie.
William Glayard against Sabyna Ferthing, debt, by Richard Dodel.
Nicholas le Gros against Joseph Elyanore, debt, by John Sutor.
Adam, son of Stephen Tannator, against Olyver le South, on plea of covenant, by Richard Clericus.
Olyver le South against Adam fil. Stephani Tannator, by Will. de Donyland.
Olyver le South against Symon Smelt, on plea of covenant, by Geoffrey de Samanton.
Symon Smelt against Olyver le South, by Richard Richard le Dyere.
Nicholas le Gros against Joseph Elyanore, detention of an ox, by Saer Lorimer.
Richard le Turnour against John de Sheldford and Joan his wife, on plea of detention of a mantle, by Andrew ate Gate.

Essoigns in respect of common:

Philip Rokele, by Ralph le Taillour
John le Spencer, by John Davy
William de la March, by William Sartrie.
Abbot of St. Osyth, by Richard le Dyere.
John de Bergholte, by Richard Clericus.
Matthew Wenlok, by Matthew fil. Roberti.
John de Sheldford, by John Auntrous.
The Prior of St. Cross Hospital, by Olyver Bastard.
Joan, who was wife of Rob. Dyket, by Henry Sefare.
Alan de Neylond, by Richard le Clerk.
The Prior of St. Botulf's, by William Hadleye.
John Lotoun, by Thomas Fraunceys.
William de Brome, by Richard Clericus.
Richard de Colne, by Robert de Colne.
Ralph Ode, by Roger Alfred.
Thomas Bygot, by Ralph Knyht.
Margery Saicok, by John Davy.
William, rector of Reydon church, by Robert Clericus.
John de Stratton, by Saher de Donylond.
Elias fil. Johannis, by William Hadleye.
Adam fil. Roger, by Richard Hod.

Ralph Raven for liberty to come to terms with William Bret for trespass, in mercy.

Geoffrey le Dyere for liberty to come to terms with Henry Woderoue and Joan his wife, for debt, in mercy.

[Property at New Hythe.]

Henry Woderoue, of Colchester, and Joan his wife appeared before the Bailiffs in full Law Hundred and acknowledged a certain charter which William Stephene showed them to be made by them, and Joan acknowledged that she agreed of her own free will to the same.

The charter [given in full] is a sale in perpetuity from the said Henry and Joan to the said William of a messuage at New Heath in St. Leonard's parish between the messuages of Geoffrey Douning and John Bog.

Dated, Wednesday after Ex. of H. Cross, 3rd Edward III. [20th September].

Richard le Turnour appears against John de Sheldford and Joan his wife, on plea of detention of a mantle. Defendants did not appear, etc.

Geoffrey de Samanton attached to reply to Ralph de Teye, chaplain, who charged him with an assault in the market place, denied the charge. Enquiry ordered.

Day was given for Ralph le Baker and Richard le Somenour, debt, to next hundred.

Henry Denny complains of Bartholomew le Hosyere and Juliana his wife, debt. Pledges, John le Porthurd and H. Algod. The said Bartholomew and Juliana distrained by a chest. Pledges, Richard de Colne and William de Hadleye.

[Burgesses Admitted.]

William de Redingg entered the Burgage of Colchester, taking the usual oaths, finding pledges [names not given], and paying a fine of 10*sh.* on entry.

William Stephene entered, as above. Pledges, Saher de Donylond, Peter de Aston, John de Ratlesdon and John Davy.

Thomas le Gros, merchant, distrained by 10 "daker"* of leather, in the hands of Richard Noreis, and 4 "daker" in the hand of Adam fil. Stephen Tannator, and 2 "daker" in the hand of Olyver le South, to reply to Robert Bone, merchant, for debt. The distraint being insufficient, it is ordered, etc.

Membrane 1 verso.

Still Lawehundred on Monday after Michaelmas in the 3rd year of Edward III. [2nd October].

[66 "Brewsters" Presented.]

Presentation of the Jurors on the articles of the abovesaid Lawehundred, who say on their oath that the following sold beer contrary to the assise, therefore in mercy.

Salota, wife of Martin Cissor
Wife of John Lotoun
" Thomas Fraunceys
" Richard le Barber
" John de Dedham
Johanna Stokes
Wife of Richard de Cosford
" John Nevard
" Matthew Wenlok
" John de Shrebbestret
Magota de Chelmeford
Wife of Richard Dollard
Juliana Pach'
Wife of William Gray
Margery Sarcok
Wife of John Roger
" Thomas Curteys
" Robert Pike
" John Hakeney
" Nicholas le Hierd
" Robert de Apeleye
" Thomas Faber
" William Cobelere
" Edmund le Chaloner
" John Somer
Alice Prentiz
Wife of John Edward
" Saer de Donylond
" Ralph Knyht
" Henry Denny

* A daker = 10 hides (*Murray's English Dictionary*).

Wife of Walter le Sadelere
„ John Vyel
„ John Spencer
„ Robert Scot
„ John de Sheldford
Johanna Buckes
Wife of Robert le Taillour
„ Reyner le Webbe
„ Roger Bolebek
„ John de Tendr[ing]
„ William Brok
Margery Nicholes
Isabella in Stourges' tenement
Wife of Adam le Sowehalere
Petronilla de Semere
Wife of John le Ferrour
„ Walter de la Fermerie
„ Philip Parlebien
Wife of William Gilemyn
„ William Naplef
„ Symon Smelt
„ Adam fil. Stephani
„ Philip Mercator
„ Alan de Neylond
„ Peter de Harling
„ John Vynch
„ Thomas de Ratlesden
„ John Maidegod
Elicia Costyn
Wife of John atte Halle
„ Thomas Besouth
„ Walter le Taverner
„ William Basset
„ Henry Woderoue
„ Philip le Churche
Joan Thony

[Wine Sellers Presented.]

They also present the following for selling wine against the assize:—
Richard de Mounteny
John Hotfot
John Vynch
Juliana Gray

[Forestalling with Fish.]

They also present the following for forestalling with fish, poultry and dairy:—
John Hotfot and Ida his wife
Wife of Nicholas Smart
Peter Trewelove
Roger le Somenour
Roger Daveys

[Raising Hue with Just Cause.]

That the following raised hue justly:—
Matilda la Vinetere on Peter le Wylde in Miland.
Avelyna la Malteres on John le Arwesmith in Hethstret.
John de le More, Canon of St. Botulf, on Roger le Bole in Wyrstret.
I., wife of John atte Nassh on Ranulph le Flaoner in Stokwellstrete.
The wife of Gervase Sutore on Roger, garcio Petri de Harbuge in Stokwell Strate.

[Millers Presented.]

That the following take toll of corn against the assize and with measures not approved:—
The miller of Northmelne
„ „ Middelmelne
„ „ Bournemelne
„ „ Estmelne
„ „ the mill of the Prior.

[Common Pasture.]

That the following use common of pasture where they have no right:—

John Faber, of Lexden
Symon atte Cherche
Symon le King
John atte Dych
Richard Lovekyn
John Morisce
The Almoner of St. John's
John Saer of Donyland
Alice Willes
Gilbert Aldith
John Rychold

[Other Presentments.]

They also present that John fil. Johanne Fool raised hue justly on John le Coupere, servant of W. Brok, in Magdeleyne lane.

That John Kyge made an encroachment by building a house annexed to the stone wall of Colchester near Southgate.

That John Smalware dug earth in Grenestedstrate so that the said street is enormously hollowed out to the great nuisance, etc.

Robert, Carectarius [carter] of Nicholas le Gros, does the same.

Nicholas le Hierd does the same.

Membrane 2.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday before Feast of St. Luke, 3rd Edward III. [16th Oct.].

Essoigns.

William Glayard *v.* Sabina Ferthyng, by Will. Naplef.
Geoffrey de Samanton *v.* Ralph de Teye, chaplain, by Thomas de Neylond.
John Somer *v.* Ralph le Foweler, by John Aunterus.
Bartholomew le Osyere *v.* Hen. Denny, by Walter Skip.
Juliana, wife of the said Bartholmew *v.* the said Henry, by John Bussh.
Olyver le South *v.* Adam, son of Stephen Tannator, and Symon Smelt, by John Waryn.
Sabyna Ferthyng against William Glayard, by Rich. le Dyere.
Henry Denny, attorney of Laurence Coleman, *v.* Reginald le Seler, by Richard Clericus.

Richard le Somenour for licence to come to terms with Ralph le Bakere, in mercy.

A day was given between Henry Denny, plaintiff, and Henry Oxkyn, defendant for debt.

Also for Richard Mounteny and John Wyger, for debt.

Also for Joseph Elyanor and Nicholas le Gros, for debt.

Also for the same Joseph and N. le Gros, detention of goods.

Thomas le Gros, merchant, was distrained as before by 10 daker of leather, etc. (*v.* Membrane 1 *recto*).

INQUISITION taken between Matilda de Hekkeford, plaintiff, and Nich. le Gros, trespass, as appears above, by Henry Osekyn and John le Porthierd, etc., who find Nicholas guilty of an assault on Matilda, who may recover the damages 13*sh.* 4*d.*, etc.

Roger de Bekles complains of Peter Trewelove, trespass, and pleads poverty.

Peter, attached to reply, fines pledges, John le Barbour de Horkesle and W. de Hadleye.

John Baker complains of Thomas Blakertel, finding pledges to prosecute, William Sartrie and John Davy.

The said Thomas, attached to reply, finds pledges, Nich^s Springold and Will. de Hadleye.

Joseph Elyanore complains of Thomas Stamyn and Adam Brounadam, debt.

Thomas and Adam find pledges, John de Aston and Will. le Coteler.

Thomas le Gros, merchant, distrained by 16 daker of leather, finds pledges, Richard le Dyere and Richard de Mounteny.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Feast of SS. Simon and Jude [30th Oct.].

Essoigns.

Geoffrey de Samanton *v.* Ralph de Teye, chaplain, by Thos de Neylond.
William Glayard *v.* Sabyna Ferthyng, by Will. Naplef.
Thomas le Gros *v.* Robert Bone, merchant, by Ric. le Dyer.
Richard le Turnour *v.* John de Sheldford and Johanna his wife, detention of a mantle, whereupon law, by Thomas de Neylond.
Thomas Blackertel *v.* John Baker, cobbler, by John le Mercer.
Adam, son of Stephen Tannator, *v.* Oliver le South, by Richard le Dyere.
John, son of John de la Ford, *v.* John Mukesale and Amice his wife, by John de Sheldford.
Bartholomew le Osyere *v.* Henry Denny, by John Scot.
Juliana, wife of the same Bartholomew *v.* Henry Denny, by Guy Cuthand.
Henry Denny, attorney of Laurence Coleman, *v.* Reginald le Seeler, on plea of debt, wherefore law, by John de Ratlesden.
Symon Smelt *v.* Olyver de South, by William le Hadley.

Still a day was given for Richard de Mounteny, plaintiff, and John Wyger, defendant.

John Somer, because he does not prosecute Ralph le Foweler, in mercy.

Henry Osekyn for licence to come to terms with Henry Denny, in mercy.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. Martin in the above said year [13th Nov.].

Essoigns.

Bartholomew le Osyere *v.* Henry Denny, by Guy Cuthand.
Geoffrey de Samanton *v.* Ralph de Teye, capellanus, by Thomas de Naylond.
John, son of John de la Ford, *v.* John de Markesale and Amice his wife, by Richard le Dyere.
Juliana, wife of Bartholomew [le Osyere], *v.* Hen. Denny, by John Bussh.
Adam Brounadam *v.* Joseph Elyanore, by Walter Skip'.
Thomas Blackertel *v.* John Baker, cobbler, by John fil. Hugonis.
Thomas le Gros, merchant, *v.* Robert Bone, merchant, by Richard le Dyere.
Alexander Hereward *v.* John Crudde, by John Bussh.
John de Sheldford *v.* Richard le Turnour, by John de Ratlesden.

John Osekyn for licence to come to terms with John Faber, in mercy, by pledge of William de Hadleye.

A day was given between John Nichole, plaintiff, and Peter Martyn, defendant.

A day was given between Sabyna Ferthyng, plaintiff, and William Glayard, defendant.

A day was given for Richard de Mounteny, plaintiff, and John Wyger, defendant.

William Botild complains of William, vicar of Aldham, on plea of debt; pledges for prosecution, John Dany and Henry Rolf. Distraint is ordered.

Joseph de Colcestre, clerk, complains of Symon Martyn.

Membrane 2 verso.

Hundred of Colchester

MONDAY AFTER FEAST OF ST. KATHARINE, 3RD EDWARD III. [27TH NOV.].

Essoigns.

Thomas Blackertel against John le Baker, cobbler, by John de Leycestre.
Adam Brounadam against Joseph de Colcestre, clerk, by Guy Cuthand.
Thomas le Gros, merchant, against Robert Bone, merchant, by William C. Diere.
Alexander Hereward against John Crudde, by Richard Algod.
John, son of John de la Forde, against John de Markesale, by Rich. le Diere.
Richard le Turnour against John de Sheldford and Joan his wife, by Th. de Neylond.

Peter Martyn for licence to come to terms with John Nichole, in mercy.

William, Vicar of Aldham, for licence to come to terms with William Bote, in mercy.

INQUISITION taken between Ralph de Teye, chaplain, plaintiff, and Geoffrey de Samanton, defendant, by William Gray, Henry Cuttesone, etc., who find the defendant guilty of an assault. Therefore in mercy; plaintiff to recover damages.

[ABOUT A PIPE OF WINE.]

Joseph Elyanor, attached to reply to James de Bures on the plea that he should deliver a pipe of wine, value 30*sh.*, which he owes him, the said Joseph having gone surety to deliver to the same James for Richard Becte, of Colchester, the said wine, but now refuses.

The said Joseph says that he did not undertake to deliver the said wine. An inquisition is ordered and a day given.

[BURGESS ADMITTED.]

John de Solers, wright, entered the Burgage of Colchester, taking the usual oaths. Pledges, John de Aston, Richard Dollard, William Sartrie, and John . . . Fine, 10*sh.*

[WILLIAM ATTE WELL AND THE ABBOT OF ST. JOHN.]

William atte Welle carried the Writ of our Lord the King under the great seal addressed to the Bailiffs of Colchester on Thursday before the Feast of St. Katharine [23rd Nov.], ordering them to give full right to the said William in 60 acres of land, 20 acres of wood, and the moiety of a messuage in Grenested, which he claims to hold from the Crown by free service of one penny yearly for all service, which lands, etc., the Abbot of St. John's, Colchester, deforced him of.

Therefore it is ordered to the sub-bailiff to summon the said Abbot to appear before the Bailiffs, etc.

It was testified by Henry Algod, sub-bailiff, that the said Abbot was summoned by John Rogger and Robert de Ardeleye to reply to the said William.

Hundred of Colchester

MONDAY AFTER FEAST OF CONCEPTION OF BLESSED VIRGIN MARY [11TH DEC.].

Essoigns.

Abbot of St. John's *v.* Will. atte Welle, by John de Ratlesden; and the said Will. atte Welle appears against the said Abbot.
Peter Trewelove *v.* Roger de Bekles, on plea of trespass, by John Bussh.

William Glayard *v.* Sabina Ferthyng, wherefore law, by Thomas de Neylond.
Bartholomew le Hosyer *v.* Henry Denny, wherefore an inquisition, by Guy Cuthand.
Juliana, wife of Bartholomew, *v.* the same Henry, by Guy Cuthand.
Adam Brounadam *v.* Joseph Elyanore, by Walter Skip.
John, son of John de la Ford *v.* John de Markeshale and Amice his wife, by Richard Sparling.
Agnes de Bergholte *v.* Ralph le Chaundeler, by John Bussh.

Thomas Blackertol for licence to come to terms with John Bakere, cobbler, in mercy.

Robert Bone, merchant, appears against Thomas le Gros, merchant, who did not appear or essoign, therefore he and his pledges in mercy, and distraint ordered on him and his pledges, Richard le Dyere and Richard de Mounteny.

[Pipe of Wine and Joseph Elyanore.]

INQUISITION between James de Bures, plaintiff, and Joseph Elyanore, defendant, on plea of debt, taken by Thomas Fraunceys, Peter de Aston, etc.

Ordered that the said James may recover the pipe of wine (*v.* above), value 30*sh.*, and Joseph, for the unjust detention, be in mercy.

John de Blyth, weaver, Philip Parlebien, and John Rossel came before the Bailiffs and acknowledged that they were bound to Agnes, daughter of John Gunnore, in 6*sh.* 8*d.*, to be paid to the said Agnes. Distraint ordered unless, etc.

Hugh le Potter complains of Peter le Wylde, on plea of covenant. Pledges, Symon Martyn and John le Pottere.

The said Peter, attached to reply, finds pledges, Symon le Messager and W. Hadleye, and they have a day.

John le Porthierd complains of Robert Rewes, debt. Pledges for prosecution John Davy and Alan le Hierd. The said Robert's pledges being Richard le Dyere and Will. de Hadleye,

Membrane 3.

Hundred

Monday after Feast of St. Thomas, 3rd year of Edward III. [25th Dec., 1329].

Essoigns.

The Abbot of St. John's *v.* Will. atte Welle de Colcestre, concerning land, by John Parles.

Martin le Taillour and Salota his wife complains of Richard Saston, debt, pledge, Thomas Fraunceis.

Peter Trewelove for licence to come terms with Roger de Beklis, trespass, in mercy.

Adam Brounadam, for the same, with Joseph Elyanore, debt; in mercy.

Hundred

Monday after Feast of Epiphany, same year [8th Jan. 1330].

Essoigns.

Abbot of John's, Colchester *v.* William atte Welle, on plea of land, by John de Ratlesdene.
Will. atte Welle appears against the said Abbot.
William Glayard *v.* Sabyna Ferthyng, by Tho. de Naylond.
John f. Joh. de la Forde *v.* John de Markeshale and Amice his wife.
Robert Rewes *v.* John le Porthierd, debt, by John Dodel.
Alex. Hereward *v.* Walter Baynard, by John Bussh.
Felicia de Grenestrate *v.* Roger le Melnere and Joan his wife, wherefore an inquisition, by John Arwesmith.

Richard Saston for licence to come to terms with Martin le Taillour and Salota his wife, debt, in mercy.

Still ordered to put by great distraint, Thomas le Gros, merchant, to reply to Robert Bone, merchant, for debt.

Ordered to distrain Richard le Dyere and Richard de Mounteny, pledges of the said Thomas le Gros, to produce the latter. Day given.

[Burgess Admitted.]

Alexander le Archer, sailor, entered the Burgage of Colchester, taking the oaths, giving fine of 10*sh.*, and finding pledges, Roger Belch, Peter de Aseton, John Wynther, and William de Sartrie.

John de Markeshale came before the Bailiffs in full hundred and acknowledged that he was bound to Robert Bone, merchant, in £4. Unless he pays on the days appointed, the amount to be levied from his goods.

Lawehundred

Monday after Feast of St. Hilary, same year [15th Jan., 1330].

Essoigns.

The Prior of St. Botulph, by Will. Gilemyn.
William de la Marche, by Ric. le Clerk.
Richard de Colne, by Guy Cuthand.
William de Brome, by Ric. Sperling.
Johanna, wife of Robert Dyket, by Ric. Sperling.
Olyver Bastard, attorney of the Prior of the Holy Cross, by Ric. Clericus.
Agnes que fuit ex. Joh. le Spenser, by Joh. Davy.
Adam de Castello, by Ric. Clericum.
Ralph Knyht, by Thomas Faber.
Matthew Wenloke, by Matthew fil. Roberti.
John Loton, by Matthew le Verrer.
John de Bergholte, by Richard Clericus.
Thomas Bygot, by William de Staneweye.

[Burgess Admitted.]

William Hori, pelliparius, entered the Burgage of Colchester, having taken the oaths, paid 10*sh.* fine, and found pledges, viz., Matthew fil. Roberti, John de Ratlesden, William Sartrie, and Bartholomew Pelliparius.

John Hotfot complains of Thomas de Pelham, for trespass, finding pledges for prosecution, Thomas Sprot and William Hadleye. Distraint ordered.

The said Thomas, distrained by a horse, saddle and bit, and by a cloak, value 18*sh.*, finds pledges, Richard le Barber and William le Coccher, etc.

PRESENTATION OF THE JURORS on the articles of Lawehundred aforesaid, who say on their oath that:—

[Beer-Sellers' Prices.]

The following sold beer, viz., a gallon for ii*d.* Therefore in mercy because it was contrary to the assize:—

Salota, wife of Matin le Taillour	The wife of Walter de la Fernerie
The wife of John Lotoun	,, Thomas Besouth
,, Ralph Knyht	,, William Savage
Margery Sarcok	,, Richard de Cosford

The wife of Alan de Neylond — Juliana Gray
,, John Vynch

The following sold beer, a gallon at 1d. *ob.*, against the assize:—

Sabina, wife of Thomas Fraunceys — John Hakeney's wife
The wife of Richard le Barber — Nicholas le Herd's wife
Johanna de Stokes — Wm. le Cobeler's wife
The wife of John Neuard — Robert de Ardeleye's wife
,, John de Shrebbestrate — Thomas le Smyth's wife
Magota de Chelmerford — Philip le Clincher's wife
The wife of John Bely — Harry Woderoue's wife
,, Robert Gest — Alan le Herd's wife
,, William Cocus — Wife of Edmund Carnifex
,, John de Dedham — Henry Denny's wife
,, Richard de Colne — William Gilemyn's wife
The maid of Matthew Wenlok — Geofrey de Lopham's wife
The wife of Richard Dollard — Peter de Harling's wife
,, Ralph Wade — Thos. Ratlesden's wife
,, Edmund le Chaloner — Agnes Gerard
,, Symon Smelt — Nich. le Lyndraper's wife
,, Robert de Colne — Gilbert Pyk's wife
,, Philip Mercator — John Maidegod's wife
,, John Somer — Elice Costyn
,, John Edward — Margery Nicholes
,, Saer de Donylond — Isabella, in Stourge's tenement
Juliana Pach — Petronilla de Semere
The wife of John le Mareschal — Emma de Bottingham
,, Walter le Sadeler — Ranulf le Gardiner's wife
,, John Vyel — Roisia Kebbel
,, John le Spenser — Alice le Porters
Agnes, residing with Joan Nichodemus — Alice Cobbes
The wife of Robert Scot — John atte Halle's wife
John de Sheldford's wife — Thomas Passelewe's wife
Robert le Taillour's wife — Philip Parlebien's wife
Reyner le Webbe's wife — Andrew le Wlyter's wife
Roger Bolebek's wife — Walter le Thecher's wife
John de Tendr[ing]'s wife — Hugh Trewe's wife
Joan Graunge — Beatrix le Gannoker
Wm. Brok's wife — Robert de Thorn's wife
John Rogger's wife — Walter le Taverner's wife
Thomas Curteys's wife — Adam atte Clyve's wife
Robert Pyke's wife — Roger le Belcher's wife

[Forestallers of Poultry, &c.]

The undermentioned are forestallers of poultry, dairy, and fish, buying the same before the time ordered by the Commonalty:—

John Hotfot — Roger le Somenour and John his son
John f. Walteri le Barber — John Oldeman
Nicholas Smart's wife — Roger Danoys
Richard Rycke's wife

That Johannes Hotfot puts little benches in the market place and has them fixed outside her rails, whereby the said market is occupied to the nuisance of the passers by and the prejudice of the Commonalty.

The following do the same :—

Margery, sister of Richard le Barber	Roger le Somenour
Roger Danoys	John Oldeman
William de Soham's wife	Alice Farr
Richard Rikkes's wife	William le Saltere

[An Assault.]

That Godfrey Salthe assaulted John Salthe in Eststrate, and John raised hue, etc.

[Other Presentments.]

That Simon Smelt stops up his watercourse in Northmore, under the stone wall of Colchester, making a pit too deep, and near the said wall, whence the Northgate is flooded.

That Adam fil. Stephani, tanner, brought some stinking carcases of horses into Foweleslane outside Northgate to the great nuisance, etc.

[Butchers Presented for Selling Bulls' Flesh Killed by Dogs.]

They also present that Henry Osekyn, butcher, killed bulls before lacerating them, with dogs at the place ordained at Le Berestake, and sold the flesh of the said bulls, whereas it is ordered by the Commonalty that butchers shall not kill bulls nor sell their flesh unless first at the said place they are lacerated, etc. And Henry is in mercy.

The following butchers are guilty of the same offence :—

Willlam Cocus	Edmund Carnifex
Ralph le Raven	Richard Carnifex
William Lyndraper	John atte Hyd
John Somer	John Hereward
William de Suff'	Alexander Hereward

[Wine Sellers Presented.]

That John Vynche sells a gallon of wine for *5d.*, and Roger Belche does the same, contrary to the assize.

[Millers Presented.]

That the following take toll of corn contrary to the assize :—

John Jordan, farmer of North Mill
John atte Park, farmer of Middle Mill
John Stokfihs, farmer of East Mill

[Common Pasture.]

That the following use common pasture for sheep without having right as Burgesses :—

John, late shepherd of Richard le Barber
John Faber de Lex[den]
Alice Willes
John atte Cherche
Robert fil. Aviscie de Shrebbestrate
John Richold

That Robert Rodebriht, of Heth Strate, John Saher, of Donyland, and Rd. Walpawe's wife overload the common pasture with sheep.

That John Sale, cook, Elyas Loue, Wm. Peytevyn, and Wm. Hedych broke the window of Margery atte Nassh's house in Bereslane, and are common night vagrants. Ordered to attach them by their bodies, etc.

Hundred

Monday after Feast of SS. Fabian and Sebastian in the 3rd year of Edward III. [22nd Jan., 1330].

Essoigns.

Margery de Borham against John de Markeshale, by Guy Cuthand.
Robert Rewes against John le Porthierd, by John le Comber.
Alexander Hereward against Walter Baynard, by Thos. Scot.
William Glayard against Sabyna Ferthyng, by Richard Clericus.
Thomas de Pelham against John Hotfot, by Rich. le Barber.
Peter le Wylde against Hugh le Pottere, by John Hotfot.
John, son of John de la Ford, against John de Markeshale and his wife, by Alex. atte Watere.

William Glayard for licence to come to terms with Sabyna Ferthyng for debt, is in mercy, but pardoned because he is poor.

Felicia de Grenestrate for licence to come to terms with Roger le Melnere and Joan his wife, for trespass, in mercy.

[The Dispute between the Abbot and William atte Welle. Victory for the Abbot.]

A dispute between the Abbot of St. John's, Colchester, and William atte Welle, concerning 60 acres of land, 20 acres of wood and the mioety of a messuage in Grenested, which the Abbot holds and William claims as being his by inheritance from Henry le Walhs *alias* Walssh his grandfather. The Abbot producing a deed of release from the said William of 120 acres of land and 40 acres of wood in Grenested, a suburb of Colchester, of which the land in question is a part. William admits that he has no right to the same, and is in mercy for the false charge.

The Deed of release dated on Sunday before Conversion of St. Paul, 3 Edward III., Jan. 22nd, 1329, was witnessed by Warin fil. Willelmi, Joseph Elyanor, bailiffs, James de Bures, Robert de Teye, Will. de Teye, Elyas fil. Johannis, Matthew fil. Roberti, John de Ratlesdon.

Felicia de Grenestrate for licence to come to terms with Roger Molendinarius and Joan his wife, trespass.

It is still ordered to place by great distraint Thomas le Gros, merchant, to reply to Robert Bone, merchant, for debt.

It is also ordered to distrain Richard le Dyer and Richard de Mounteny, pledges of the said Thomas, to come to reply to the same Robert.

[Burgess Admitted.]

John de Adburgton, tanner, entered the Burgage of Colchester, taking the usual oaths, etc. Pledges, Symon Smelt, Olyver Besouth, John le Bakere, cobbler, and John Glover. Fine, 10*sh.*

Joseph de Colcestre, clerk, complains of John de Aseton, trespass.

John de Bottingham complains of John Vynger, debt. William Gilemyn and W. de Hadleye.

Hundred

Monday after Feast of Purification of Blessed Virgin Mary [5th Feb.].

Essoigns.

Robert Rewes against John le Porthierd, by Thos. de Neylond.
John Vynger against John de Bottingham, by Walter Skyp.
Peter le Wylde against Hugh le Pottere, by John de Bettingh'.
Peter le Wylde against John Aventrous, by Thomas Sayher.

[A Night-Wanderer.]

John Sale, cook, came before the Bailiffs on Wednesday, St. Valentine's Day, because he was previously indicted before them for being a common night-wanderer. Fined 12*d.*

[Butchers Fined.]

Henry Osekyn and William de Bergholte, "cocus carnifex" [cook butcher], because they were convicted before the Bailiffs for not doing their duty in default of the Butchers, in mercy [in defect' carnific', *sic*].

William le Lyndraper, butcher, appeared before the Bailiffs, charged with selling measled and unwholesome meat and not at the stalls for selling meat ordered by the Commonalty, and this after repeated warnings. In mercy.

[Armed Night-Wanderer.]

Thomas Juscard came before the Bailiffs to answer a charge of being a common night-wanderer with arms and armed men, etc. Pleads not guilty, throws himself on his country and finds sureties, viz., Ralph Ode, John de Ratlesden, Peter de Aseton, John Vynch, Reginald Belch', and Thomas Besouth.

[Alleged Homsoken by a Night-Vagrant, in Wire Street.]

Thomas, son of Adam Scot, came on the same day before the Bailiffs and was charged with being a night vagrant, and with other men unknown, making an assault on William de Hadleye, sub-bailiff, in Wyrstrete, Colchester, and pursuing him to the house of Nicholas Springold, Lynendraper, and assaulting him again there and committed "Homsokne" on him.

Pleads not guilty, and finds bail, John Vynch and Thomas de Ratlesden. Inquiry ordered.

William le Lyndraper, butcher, complains of Edmund Carnifex, William Cocus, John Hereward, Alex. Hereward, Henry Osekyn, Symon Keneville and John atte Hyd, butchers, on plea of trespass, finding pledges, John Wolf and John de Markeshale. Day given and the defendants to be attached for that day.

John Hotfot complains of Thomas de Pulham, trespass. Pledges, John le Barber and W. de Hadleye. The said Thomas distrained by a horse, value 18*sh.*, to reply, finds pledges, Richard le Barber and Will. le Coteler.

Membrane 4 *verso.*

Still the Hundred, etc., on Monday after Purification of Blessed Virgin Mary [5th Feb.].

Still ordered to put, by great distraint, Thos. le Gros, merchant, to reply to Robert Bone, merchant, for debt, against the Monday after St. Valentine's Day. Ordered also to distrain Richard le Dyer and Richard de Mounteny, pledges of the said Thomas, to produce the latter, etc.

John Hotfot appeared against Thomas de Polham for trespass. The latter neither appeared nor essoigned. He and his pledges to be distrained, etc.

Alexander Hereward for licence to come to terms with Walter Baynard for debt, in mercy.

Peter Pake, rector of St. Martin's, Colchester, complains of John Boteler, parson, of Wyvenho, debt.

Joseph Elyanor complains of Will. Naplef, debt; finds pledges, Will. le Coteler and W. Hadleye.

The said William, attached to reply, find pledges, viz., John Wolf and W. Hadleye.

Agnes Naplef complains of Will. Naplef, trespass; finds pledges, Thomas Fraunceys and Olyver Bastard.

The said William, to reply to Agnes, finds pledges, John Porthierd and W. Hadleye.

William Naplef complains of Agnes Naplef, trespass, finding pledges, William Langelee and W. Hadleye.

The said Agnes, attached to reply, finds pledges, Thomas Fraunceys and J. Hotfot.

Hundred of Colchester

Monday after St. Valentine's Day [19th Feb.]

Essoigns.

Peter le Wylde against Hugh le Pottere, by Robert Rewes.
Peter le Wylde against John Aventrous, by John de Bottingham.
Will. Naplef against Joseph Elyanor, by John Bussh.
Will. Naplef against Agnes Naplef, by Guy Cuthand.
Will. Naplef against Agnes Naplef, by Reginald le Seeler.
John Vynger against John de Bottingham, by Walter Skip.

Still ordered to distrain Thomas le Gros, merchant, etc., and his pledges. Also Thomas de Polham, to reply to John Hotfot.

William le Lyndraper, butcher, for not prosecuting Edmund Carnifex, William Cocus, and the others before mentioned.

Robert Rewes for licence to come to terms with John le Porthierd for debt, in mercy.

Joan, daughter of Adam Scot, complains of John f. Rogeri Prille and for prosecution pleads poverty. The said John finds pledges, William le Coteler and W. de Hadleye.

William Naplef to come to terms with Joseph Elyanore for debt.

Hundred

Monday before Feast of SS. Perpetua and Felicitas [5th March.]

Essoigns.

Will. Naplef *v.* Agnes Naplef, by Thos. de Neylond.
The same *v.* the same, by Guy Cuthand.
The same *v.* Joseph Elyanor, by Rignald le Seeler.
John Vynger *v.* Roger Alfred, by Guy Cuthand.

Ralph le Baker complains of Roger Alfred, trespass; pledges, Will. de Hadleye and Thos. Stamyn.

Still ordered to distrain Thomas le Gros and his pledges.

Still ordered to distrain Thomas de Pulham as above.

John de Bottingham appeared against John Vynger for debt, who did not come, Therefore he and his pledges in mercy, and to be distrained.

Day given to Hugh le Pottere, plaintiff, and Peter le Wylde, to the next hundred.

John, son of Roger Prille, was attached to reply to Joan, daughter of Adam Scot, for trespass, viz., for assaulting the said Joan in Stocwellstrete. The said John denies the charge, whereupon an enquiry is ordered.

Membrane 5.

Still the Hundred on Monday before Feast of SS. Perpetua and Felicitas [5th March].

[Will of John le Dyere.]

The will of John le Dyere *al.* Tinctor, of Colchester, was proved in full hundred in the

presence of Warin fil. Willelmi and Josep Elyanore, Bailiffs of Colchester, by Adam de Leycestre and Symon Capellanus de Neylond.

He bequeaths to Joan his wife all his messuage extending from Chelde Wellefeld to the King's way called Estrate in Colchester suburb; all his arable land in Estmadwe; his fish stall, which was John Ballok's; his meat stall in the market; all his rents and money, gold and silver; his silver cups and mazers, silver spoons, vessels of brass, lead, and wood, and other household goods; his beasts, corn, etc.; the messuage which was formerly William Oldegate's in Estrate; his other messuages in Colchester at East Mill, etc., with two exceptions, viz., 9 acres of land, sometime Walter Danvile's, and 3 acres, late Edward atte Pette's, are to be sold, and the sale money to be handed to Fr. Robert his son that it may the better be held to the Creator of all things for the sake of the Testator and for all those for whom he is bound to pray. And 12*d.* of annual rent to go to John, son of Matthew Vitrearius,* of Colchester, jun., from the annual rent of the tenement of Martin Textor in the suburb. And if his wife Joan should marry again, which God forbid, his property is to be sold, and a moiety of the money delivered to his said son, Fr. Robert, and the remaining portion for the testator's soul; one acre of land in Rustisfield and an acre of meadow nearer Stockesmelne, etc., on the death of his wife Joan, are to go to Richard, son of his son Geoffrey; and also at her death all the aforesaid property to be sold, by consent of his son Fr. Robert, by the said Joan's executors, half of the money to go to the said Robert and the rest to be distributed for his soul and the souls of Isabel and Joan his wives, in celebration of Masses, etc.

His executors are Joan, wife of John Vitriarius, jun., and Geoffrey, son of the said John.

Hundred

Monday after Feast of St. Gregory, 4th Edward III. [19th March].

Essoigns.

Will. Naplef against Agnes Naplef, by Guy Cuthand.
Will. Naplef against Agnes Naplef, by Riginald le Sealer.

[Will of John Maymond.]

The will of John, son of John Maymond, of Colchester, was proved in full hundred before Warin, son of William, and Joseph Elyanore, Bailiffs, by William Sartrie and John Stokfissh.

He leaves his messuage, etc., in Estrate to William Gibbereus and his wife Alice and John their son, all of whom he names his executors.

It is still ordered to distrain Thos. le Gros and his pledges, and Thomas de Pulham.

Day given to Hugh le Pottere and Peter le Wylde.

[Burgess Admitted.]

John atte Hyd, of Neylond, entered the Burgage, taking the oaths, etc. Pledges, William Gilemyn, William Sartrie, Richard le Dyere, and Richard Sparling. Fine, 10*sh.*

Peter de Aseton complains of John Oldeman and Ida his wife for trespass. Pledges, Ralph Ode and John Davy.

Cecily, daughter of Peter Faber, complains of Roger Edward and Margery his wife, trespass. Pledges, Robert Olyver and Matthew le Verrer.

John, son of John Vernoun, complains of William Gilemyn for debt; finds pledges, Alex. atte Watere and H. Algod.

Ralph le Baker complains of Roger Alfred, trespass. Richard Dollard and W. de Hadleye.

*Glazier.

[A False Charge.]

INQUISITION taken between Joan, daughter of Adam Scot, plaintiff, and John, son of Roger Prille, defendant, trespass, by Philip le Chapman, John Edward and others, Jurors, who say that John did not assault Joan as alleged, and Joan is in mercy for the false complaint.

[Greenstead Parson found guilty of being a Night-Vagrant.]

At the last Hundred Thomas Juscard, Parson of Grensted Church, came before the Bailiffs charged with being a common night vagrant with arms and armed men. He denies the charge. At an enquiry taken by Ralph Knyht and John Jordan and other Jurors he was found guilty, and found pledges to appear at next Hundred Court to hear judgment, viz., Elyas fil. Johannis and Peter de Aston.

Adam fil. Johannis de Frennyngham complains of Roger fil. Johannis Hotfot for trespass, finding pledges to prosecute, viz., John Frennyngham and P. Pake.

Roger, attached to reply, finds pledges, John Hotfot and W. Hadleye.

Membrane 5. verso.

Hundred of Colchester

The Morrow of Palm Sunday, in 4th year of Edward III. [2nd April].

Essoigns.

Roger Oldeman *v.* Peter de Aseton, by Thos. de Neylond.
Ida, his wife, *v.* the same, by John Lotoun.
Roger Edward *v.* Cecily, daughter of Peter Faber, by Symon Tubbe.
Margery, widow of same Roger, *v.* the same Cecily, by Guy Cuthand.
Roger, son of John Hotfot, *v.* Adam de Frenyngham, by Walter Skip.
Adam de Frenyngham *v.* Roger son of John Hotfot, by Peter Pake.

William Naplef for licence to come to terms with Agnes Naplef, in mercy, by pledge of Tho. le Mareschal.

The same for not prosecuting the same, in mercy.

Peter le Wylde for licence to come to terms with Hugh le Pottere, in mercy, by pledge of Ralph le Bakere.

Again ordered to distrain Tho. le Gros and his pledges, and Tho. de Pulham.

A day was given for John f. Joh. Vernoun, plaintiff, and William Gilemyn, defendant, to the next court.

Roger Alfred, attached to reply to Ralph le Baker, finds pledges, Thomas Sprot and W. de Hadleye.

Hundred of Colchester

Monday after Close of Easter [16th April].

Essoigns.

Roger Edward *v.* Cecily f. Petri Fabri, by John Bussh.
Margery, widow of same Roger, *v.* the same, by Symon Tubbe.
John Oldeman *v.* Peter de Aston, by Edmund le Skynner.
Ida, wife of same, *v.* the same, by Ralph le Bakere.
Roger, son of John Hotfot, *v.* Adam f. Joh. de Frenyngham, by Walter Skyp.
Roger Alfred *v.* Ralph le Bakere, by Walter Loundemoys.

Still ordered to distrain Tho. le Gros; and Tho. de Pulham to reply to John Hotfot; and to distrain Richard le Barber and William Coteler for 10*sh.*, which they went bail for, for the said Thomas.

Joseph de Colecestre, clerk, complains of John, son of Walter le Barber; pledges, John Neuard and W. de Hadleye.

William Gilemyn complains of John le Porthierd, debt. Pledges, John atte Park and H. Algod.

Joseph de Coleeestre, clerk, complains of Thomas Skeet; pledges, Matthew f. Roberti and W. le Coteler.

Thomas Skeet, attacked to reply, finds pledges Symon le Messager and W. de Hadleye.

Lawehundred

Monday after Hokeday, 4th Edward III. [23rd April].

Essoigns.

John Oldeman *v.* Pet. de Aseton, by Tho. de Neylond.
Ida, his wife, *v.* the same, by John de Markeshale.
Ralph le Bakere *v.* Roger Alfred, by Guy Cuthand.
Roger Alfred *v.* the same, by Tho. de Neylond.
Roger f. Joh. Hotfot *v.* Adam f. Joh. de Frenyngham, by John Aventrous.
Roger Crawe *v.* Alice, daughter of Henry Algod, by John Lotoun.
Tho. Stamyn *v.* John Betoun, by Will. atte Welle.
The same John *v.* the same, by John de Ratlesdon.
John de Sheldford, by Will. de Leycestre.
Will. de la Marche, by Peter de Astoun.
Joan de Leukenore, by Elias f. Johannis.
Thomas Bigot, by John Davy.
Alan de la Neylandia, by Henry Algod.
Richard atte Ho } by Roger Alfred.
Harry atte Ho }

A day was given to Joseph de Colecestre, clerk, and Thomas Skeet, to the next hundred.

Also for the same Joseph and John, son of W. le Barber.

Roger Edward and Margery his wife were attached to reply to Cecily, daughter of Peter Faber, for an assault on the latter. They deny the charge and demand an enquiry, which was granted.

Membrane 6.*

Hundred

Monday after Nativity of Blessed Virgin Mary, 4th Edward III. [9th September].

Thomas le Gros to be distrained.

Walter Gilemyn was distrained, by a horse, value 10*sh.*, to reply to John Jordan and John Caperoun, of Colchester.

Richard, son of Edmund le Chaloner, of Colchester, and Joan, daughter of the same Edmund, came before the Bailiffs, Warin fil. Willelmi and Joseph Elyanor, and acknowledged a certain quitclaim which Robert Palat, of Colchester, produced. The deed, which is given in full, is a quitclaim by the said Richard and Joan to Robert Palat of two acres and a half of land in Colchester suburb, beyond North Bridge, in Sigenesfeld, between the tenement of John Betoun, chaplain, and the land of Robert Knyht, extending from the meadow of William de Knapton to the King's way. Dated, Monday before Exaltation of Holy Cross, 4th Edward III.

*Several membranes missing.

Nicholas le Dyer complains of Hugh Peverel. Pledges, John Burrich and Richard Safton, the said Hugh's pledges being Elias fil. Johannis and Symon le Messager.

Roesia de Bresete complains of Thomas Scot, trespass. Pledges, Richard de Mounteny and Henry Algod, the said Thomas's pledge being William Sartrie.

Essoigns.

Ralph le Bakere *v.* William le Webbe de Ryvenhale, by John le Arwesmith.
Alice, wife of the same, *v.* the same, by Guy Cuthand.
John Mathen *v.* Peter Musse, whereupon an enquiry, by Saer Clericus.
Joan, wife of the same John, *v.* the same, whereupon an enquiry, by Richard Clericus.
Hugh Peverel *v.* Nicholas le Dyere, by Hubert Petyt.
Thomas Scot *v.* Richard de Mounteny, by John Scot.
The same *v.* Roesia de Bresete, by Will Sartrie.
Robert Testepyn *v.* Will. de Claketon and Joan his wife by Richard Clericus.
Emma, wife of the same Robert, *v.* the same William and Joan, by John de Bottingham.
Will. Gilemyn *v.* John Jordan and John Caperoun, by John de Bottingham.
John Edward *v.* Henry Davy, chaplain, by Alex. atte Watere.

Nicholas le Dyere for licence to come to terms with John de Bottingham, debt, by pledge of John Davey.

Membrane 6 *verso.*

[Burgesses Admitted.]

John atte Hyd, sailor, entered the Burgage, taking the oaths, etc. Pledges, Peter de Aseton, Walter le Taverner, John Swarther, and John Davy. Fine, 10*sh.*

John atte Vanne, sailor, entered the Burgage, etc. Pledges, the same four. Fine, 10*sh.*

Adam de Weston, cobbler, entered the Burgage, etc. Pledges, William Sartrie, John Hereward, Henry Algod, and William de Hadleye. Fine, 10*sh.*

Richard le Palmere entered the Burgage, etc. Pledges, William Gilemyn, John de Bottingham, Alex. atte Watere, and William de Hadleye. Fine, 10*sh.*

Still ordered to distrain Thomas le Gros to reply to Robert Bone, etc.

[*The Rolls for the years* 1330-1, 1331-2 *and* 1332-3 *are missing.*]

Roll IV.

Roll of Pleas of Colchester.

From the Feast of St. Michael in the 7th year of the reign of King Edward III. to the same Feast in the next year, in the time of WARIN FIL. WILLELMI and RALPH ODE, Bailiffs of Colchester.

Lawehundred

Monday after Michaelmas [4th Oct., 1333].

Essoigns.

John Hereward *v.* John Bolex, trespass, whereupon an enquiry, by Guy Cuthand.
Ralph de Chaundeler *v.* Thomas de Leycestre, detention of chattels, by Walter Skip'.
Ralph de Chaundeler, of Colchester, *v.* John Sale, of the same, cook, debt, by Henry de Burnham.
John Danuyle *v.* William de Brome, debt, by John Maydegod.
Thomas le Smyth *v.* William de Brome, debt, by Thomas de Dedham.
Robert Gilemyn, of Grensted, *v.* Will. de Brome, by William de Leycestre.
John f. Joh. de la Rokele *v.* Philip Rokele, debt, by John de Ratlesden.

Essoigns concerning Common.

Adam de Castello, by Richard Clericus.
Richard de Berham, parson of St. Mary, Colchester, by John Waryn.
The Prior of St. Cross Hospital, by Warin Parker.
John Nichole, by Philip Rokele.
Roger Alfred, by Richard Clericus.
William de la March, by Joseph Elyanor.
Matthew Wenlok, by Matthew f. Roberti.
Prior of St. Botulph, by Saer de Donylond.
John de Bergh, by Richard Clericus.
John f. Joh. de la Rokele, by Matthew f. Roberti.
John de Laurole, by Saer de Donylond.
Margery Sarcok, by Adam de Leycestre.
Alan de la Neylond, by Henry Algod.
John de Stratton, by Adam de Leycestre.
Henry de Wenlond, by John Nevard.
Richard de Colne, by Adam de Colne.

A day given to Richard de Colne, plaintiff, and John Osekyn, of Lexden, defendant, accused of seizing two horses. To next court.

Thomas de Mildenhale distrained as before, by three bushels of corn in the hands of Richard Pyg, etc.

Ordered to attach the body of Richard White, chaplain, to reply to Rog. f. Joh. le Smyth, trespass. A day given.

John f. Joh. de la Rokele appeared against Philip Rokele, on plea of debt, and was replied to by W. de Leycestre, the serjeant, who says he has nothing to distrain on.

Again ordered to distrain on the following on pleas of debt, etc., to the next hundred:—

Will. Napelef to reply to John Parles.
Will. Lyndraper to Clement le Dyer.
Ralph de Coleville, merchant, to Thomas de Eye, merchant.
Robert Spryngold to John Bottingham.
John Brihtrich to Roger le Lache.

John Barrich to John Bande, of Ipswich, merchant.
Edmund le Chaloner and Sarra his wife to Henry atte Lane.
Adam Spakeman and Alan his brother to James de Bures.

[Offending Beer Sellers.]

PRESENTATIONS of the Jury on Articles of Lawehundred, who say on their oath: That the following sold beer against the assize, viz., a gallon for 1½*d*. Therefore in mercy

Katherina de Stublee
Wife of William de Hadleigh
" John le Wollemonger
Mariota, living in Frauncey's tenement
Wife of Richard le Barber
" John de Dedham
" Robert Edward
" Richard de Casford
" John de Aston
" Ralph le Chaundeler
" Richard de Colne
" John Solers
Joan Wynterflod
Wife of Olyver Besouth
" John Nevard
Margery Quayk
Matthew Wenlok
Wife of John Lucas
" John Belye
" William de Maldon
" Richard Dollard
Alice . . .
Wife of Rich. de Bradeway
" Warin atte Welle
" William le Dyere
Margery Sarcok
Wife of Walter de Illeigh
" John le Mareschal
" William Brid
" Richard Scotard
" John Springold
" Robert Scot
" John de Sheldford
" John Algod
" John Gyboun
" Robert de Leyre
" John Stokfissh
" Will. Brok
" John Rogg
" William Gille
" Nicholas le Herd
" William le Cobelere
Wife of Edw. Carnifex
" John Olyver
" Will. Gylemyn
Agnes Denny
Wife of Will. Rogger
" Ralph Knyht
Saer de Donylond
Widow of John Edward
Alice Prentiz
Wife of Henry Josyas
" John Semer
Prisca de Merseye
Wife of Brounadam
" John Adburgton
" John Jordan
" John de Bergh, cobbler
" Will. le Ken
" Will. le Pottere
" Adam f. Stephani
" John Mercator
" Will. Sperling
" Robert de Colne
" Alan de Neylond
" Thomas Sprot
" John Finch
Agnes Gerard
Wife of Nicholas Lyndraper
Matilda de Helle
Margery Humfrey
Wife of John Maydegod
Elicia Costynes
Wife of Ralph Baldewyn
" John supra Muros
Isabella Tyes
Wife of Roger Belch
Relict of Walter le Taverner
Wife of Roger de Peldon
Widow of Philip le Chinchere
Wife of John Swarthar
Philippa Pocok
Wife of Richard Payn
" John Whelwrihte

,, Robert de Ardeleye	,, John Ferrour
,, Thomas Faber	,, Will. Tye
,, Thomas Besouth	,, Walter de Firmare
,, Hugh Trewe	,, John atte Halle
Beatrix la Gerdler	,, William le Porter
Beatrix la Gannoker	,, Will. atte Hedych
Joan Tony	Emma de Bottyngham

[Forestallers.]

The following were presented as forestallers of poultry, dairy, and fish, and were fined:—

Roger le Somenour	Wife of Thomas de Cant
John his son	Avelina Smythes
Wife of Nicholas Smart	Agnes Welkes
,, Roger Daveys	Wife of Richard de Bery

Presented that William de Leycestre raised hue unjustly on Manser le Tannere in Estrate, in mercy.

Margery, wife of John le Ferrour, for the same offence on Agnes Sprot and Joan her sister in Southstrete, in mercy.

The said Agnes and Joan for striking and fetching blood from the said Margery, in mercy.

[" Namium Vetitum."]

That whereas Philip Rokele had seized the sheep of Nicholas le Gros in the demesne of our Lord the King, belonging to the Castle, doing damage, the said Nicholas came and made rescue, "de namio vetito,"* and Philip raised hue justly. Nicholas in mercy.

John le Reve made hue justly on Thos. Taillour in the market place, inasmuch as Thomas assaulted him in his house. Thomas in mercy.

Joan Wynterflod for raising hue unjustly on Roger Edward in the market place, in mercy.

John atte Cherche, Roger Leuegoz, and Ralph de Teye, chaplain, in mercy for pasturing their cattle on common land, they not being Burgesses.

Richard Louekyn for overloading the common land with 100 sheep, though not a Burgess or holder of land within the liberty, is in mercy.

Joan, maidservant of John le Wollemonger, raised hue justly on Roger Hotfot in the market place, who struck her, in mercy.

John Gest made encroachment on the river bank at the Northbregge, 4 perches long by 1 perch broad, in mercy.

[Mile End Street—An Encroachment.]

Richard de Colne made encroachment on the King's way in La Milandestrate, raising a ditch there, 1 perch by 6 feet, in mercy.

The following were fined for non-appearance at Law Hundred:—

William de Redingg	John atte Dyche
Richard Tebaud	Nicholas le Cok
Richard Rodbriht	

[Burgesses Admitted.]

The following entered the Burgage, taking oaths, paying 10*sh.* fine, and finding pledges, viz.:—

Andrew Stefne - - *Pledges*: Peter de Aston, Olyver Besouth, John Gyloun, and John Gest.

* De namio vetito. Namium vetitum = an unjust taking of the cattle of another and driving them to an unlawful place, pretending damage done by them, in which case the owner of the cattle may demand satisfaction for the injury, which is called "placitum de namio vetito."

Thomas Deynes - - *Pledges*: John Jordan, John atte Park, Will. Leycestre, and Henry Algod.

Gilbert le Lokyere - *Pledges*: Saer de Donylond, Joseph Elyanore, John Jordan, John Somer.

[Undue Toll of Corn.]

The following farmers fined for taking toll of corn beyond the measure:

John Stokfisshe, Estmilne.
John atte Halle, Bournemelne.
William Brok, old Priory mill.
John atte Parke and William de Maldon, the new Priory mill.

Membrane 2.

Walter le Taillour complains of Henry le Taillour, of Okelee, for debt. Pledges for prosecution, Adam le Forbour, J. Gardiner.

Henry le Taillour for licence to come to terms with Richard le Lacer.

Richard le Lacer complains of William Thede for debt. Pledges, J. Gardiner and T. Passel.

William Thede for licence to come to terms with Rich. le Lacer.

John le Ferrour and Margery his wife complain of Agnes Sprot and Joan his sister, for trespass. Pledge for the prosecution, John Baker, shoemaker. The said Agnes and Joan find pledges, Simon Pakeman and John Gardiner, and the said Margery puts in her place John le Ferrour.

John f. Walt. le Barbour and Juliana his wife complain of Adam le Spycer and Felicia his wife, trespass. Pledges for prosecution, Peter le Wyld and T. Passelewe. The said Adam and Felicia find pledges, William atte Park and Thomas Passelewe.

Margery Shipman complains of Adam le Spycer and Felicia his wife, who find pledges, John Glover and T. Passelewe.

Ralph le Chaundeler complains of Thomas de Leycestre.

John Pach', of Halsted, complains of Walter le Sadeler, of Coggeshall, on plea of debt, who finds pledges, John le Barbour and H. Algod.

Hundred of Colchester

Feast of St. Luke, 7th Edward III. [Monday, 18th Oct.].

Essoigns.

Agnes Sprot *v.* John le Ferrour and Margery his wife, trespass, by Will. de Leycestre.
Joan, sister of the said Agnes, by Richard Clericus.
John Hereward *v.* John Bolex, trespass, by Guy Cuthand.
Walter le Sadeler, of Coggeshall, *v.* John Pach, of Halstead, debt, by John Maydegod.
The same John against the same Walter, by Reginald le Seeler.
Adam le Spycer *v.* John f. Walt. le Barbour and Juliana his wife, trespass, by Hen. Algod.
Felicia, wife of the said Adam, by Richard Clericus.
Adam le Spycer *v.* Margery Shipman, trespass, by John Gardiner.
Felicia, Adam's wife, by Richard Clericus.

Day given for Ralph le Chaundeler, plaintiff, and Thomas de Leycestre, in suits of debts.

Great distraints ordered :

Will. Lyndraper to reply to Clement le Dyer, debt.

Ralph de Coleville, merchant, to reply to Thos. de Eye, merchant, debt.

Rob. Springold to reply to John de Bottingham, debt.

John Brihtrich to reply to Rog. le Lache, debt.

The same John to reply to John Bande, of Ipswich, merchant, debt.

Adam and Alan Spakeman to reply to James de Bures, trespass.

John Tybbe, complains of Geoffrey de Lexden, debt. Pledges for prosecution, Thomas Passelewe and John Waryn. Attorney to John Tybbe, Richard Clericus.

Pleas

The Morrow of St. Luke [Tuesday, 19th Oct.].

Essoign.

Agnes Sprot *v.* John le Ferrour and Margery his wife, trespass, by John Gardiner.

Again ordered to distrain Joan Sprot to reply to John le Ferrour and Margery his wife, trespass, postponed.

Pleas

Thursday after Feast of St. Luke [21st Oct.].

Essoign.

Agnes Sprot *v.* John le Ferrour and Margery his wife, trespass, by John Gardiner.

John le Ferrour and Margery his wife appear against Joan Sprot, trespass, and was replied to by H. Algod, his servant, who says that Joan has nothing whereby she may be distrained.

Joan to be attached by her body on Monday before Feast of SS. Simon and Jude [25th October].

Walter Cokerel complains of Nicholas le Dyere, debt; pleas for prosecution, Joseph Elyanore and Hen. Algod.

The said Nicholas, attached to reply, finds pledges.

Pleas

Monday before Feast of SS. Simon and Jude [25th Oct.].

Essoign.

Nich[s] le Dyer *v.* Walter Cokerel, debt, by John le Dyer.

Agnes Sprot pleads not guilty to charge made by John and Marg[t] le Ferrour of an assault. An enquiry ordered.

William de Mepeshale complains of Richard Crocer, trespass. Pledges for prosecution, John de la Rokle and T. Serviens. Richard ordered to be distrained to reply.

Thomas Body and Will. Werre, John his son, and Elias son of the latter, trespass, who are to be distrained on to reply.

Walter Cokerel complains of John Burrich, debt. Pledges for prosecution, Joseph Elyanore and H. Algod. Distraint ordered.

Membrane 2 verso.

[Bakers Fined for Short Weight.]

Bread of bakers taken and weighed, Sunday after Feast of St. Luke, 7 Edward III. [26th Oct.]. Various fines imposed on:—

Thomas Deynes, for short weight in farthing simnel, 6*d*.
John atte Halle, ,, ,, ,, ,, 2*sh*. 6*d*.
William Pegon, ,, ,, ,, coket loaf, 8*d*.
Hugh Trewe, ,, ,, in half-penny wheaten loaf, 5*d*.
Richard Juwesone ,, ,, in farthing wastell, 16*d*.
Thomas supra Murum, for short weight in farthing simnel, xx*d*.
John de Calthorp, ,, ,, ,, ,, 2*sh*.
John Wyger, ,, ,, ,, wheaten loaf, xx*d*.

Hundred, Colchester

Feast of All Saints, 7th Edward III. [Monday, 1st Nov.].

Essoigns.

John Hereward *v.* John Bolex, trespass, by Henry Horild.
Adam le Spycer *v.* John f. Walt. le Barber and Juliana his wife, by Nich^s Caperoun.
Felicia, wife of Adam, by Henry Algod.
Adam le Spycer *v.* Margery Shipman, by John Gardiner.
Felicia, wife to the said Adam, by Richard Clericus.
John Pach, de Halsted, *v.* Walter le Sadelere, of Coggeshall, debt, by John, son of W. le Barbour.
The same Walter, by Will. Whitby.
Nich^s le Dyer *v.* Walter Cokerel, by John Aventerous.
Agnes Sprot *v.* John le Ferrour and Margery his wife, by Simon Pakeman.
Joan Sprot against John and Margery his wife, by Nicholas Delvere.
John Let *v.* William de Mapeshale, by John f. Joh. de la Rokele.

Thomas Body for contested suit with William Werre, John and Elias his sons, trespass, in mercy.

A day was given between Richard de Colne, plaintiff, and John Osekyn, of Lexden, for theft of two horses, to next hundred without essoign.

Thos. de Mildenhale, distrained by 3 bushels of corn, price 21*d*., in the lands of Richard Pyg; ordered to take more by next court.

Ordered that Richard Blyth, chaplain, be apprehended to reply to Roger f. Joh. le Smyth, trespass.

Ordered to distrain Will. Napelef to reply to John Parles, debt and trespass,

Richard Crocer, distrained by a brass pot, to reply to W. de Mepeshale. Further distraint ordered.

Ordered, as before, to distrain John Burrick to reply to Walter Cokerel, debt.

A day given for Thos. de Leycestre and Ralph le Chaundeler, plea of detention of goods and debt.

Adam Brounadam complains of Richard de Braunford, miller, and Walter Miller his servant, trespass. Plea for prosecution, Thomas Passelewe. Day given.

The said Richard was attached to reply to the same Adam, and finds pledges, Richard Parlebien and Roger Drayl.

The said Walter, distrained by a sheet and an old cap, valued at fourpence. Further distraint ordered.

Pleas, Colchester

Friday after All Saints' Day [5th Nov.].

Essoign.

Joan Sprot *v.* John le Ferrour and Margery his wife, trespass, by Richard Clericus.

Richard de Braunford for licence to come to terms with Adam Brounadam, in mercy.

Pleas

Feast of St. Leonard [Saturday, 6th Nov.].

Essoign.

Joan Sprot *v.* John and Margery le Ferrour, trespass, by John Gardiner.

Great distraints ordered on :—

Ralph de Coleville, merchant, to reply to Thos. de Eye, merchant, debt.
Robert Springold to reply to John de Botteringham, debt.
John Brihtrich to reply to Roger le Lache, debt.
John Burrich, merchant, to reply to John Bande, of Ipswich, merchant, debt.
Adam Spakeman and Alan his brother to reply to James de Bures, debt.
Henry atte Lane *v.* Edm. le Chaloner and Sarra his wife; has a day.

Grant by Emma f. Rogeri Thurstan, of Miland, to Warin f. Will. de Colcestre and Henry Cuttlesone, of the same, of a moiety of a messuage and land in Miland in Colchester suburbs, formerly Agatha f. Simon Norman's, of Miland.

Witnesses: Ralph Ode, Josep Elyanore, Warin atte Welle, John de Ratlesden, Thomas Fraunceys, Ralph Knyht, John Jordan. Dat. Wednesday after Feast of St. Luke, 7th Edward III.

Richard Crocer, attached to reply to Will. de Mepeshale, trespass, finds pledge, Joseph Elyanore.

John Tybbe appeared against Geoffrey de Lexden, debt; witnessed by Thomas Passelewe. Distrained by 53 sheep, and further distraint ordered.

Membrane 3.

Hundred of Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. Martin, 7th Edward III. [15th Nov., 1333],

Essoigns.

Richard Safton *v.* Joan Pecok, debt, by John le Mercer.
Agnes Sprot *v.* John and Margery le Ferrour, trespass, whereupon an enquiry, by Simon Pakeman.
Adam le Spycer *v.* John f. Walt. le Barbour and Juliana his wife, trespass, by John Gardiner.
Felicia, wife of the said Adam, *v.* the same, by Thos. le Berham.
Adam le Spycer *v.* Margery Shipman, trespass, by Robert Clericus.
Felicia his wife *v.* the same, by Henry Algod.
John Pach, of Halsted, *v.* Walter le Saleler, of Coggeshall, debt, by John Shakeleg.
Nich^s le Dyer *v.* Walter Caldefot, debt, by Rich. le Delver.
Richd Crocer *v.* Wm. de Mepeshale, trespass, by Alex. atte Watere.
John Lot *v.* Will. de Mepeshale, trespass, by John Rowes.
John f. Joh. de la Rokele *v.* Philip Rokele, debt, by Robert Clericus.
Philip Rokele *v.* the said John, by John Capcroun.

Still ordered to distrain Geoffr. de Lexden to reply to John Tybbe, debt. A day given.

John le Reve for licence to come to terms with Roger Daveys and Isabel his wife, trespass, in mercy 6*d.*

Agnes and Joan Sprot, for the same, with John and Margery le Ferrour, trespass, in mercy. Condoned.

[A Verdict of Not Guilty.]

John Bolex appeared *v.* John Hereward, trespass, whereupon an enquiry as above, the said John Hereward present in court, and a Jury came and an was enquiry taken by John Rewes and John Gylonn and his companions, who say on their oath that the said John Hereward is not guilty, and John Bolex is in mercy for his false complaint, and John Hereward to go free.

Will de Mepeshale appeared against John Lot, who did not appear, nor essoign. Therefore he and his pledges in mercy, and to be distrained by great distraint.

Day given for Richard de Colne, plaintiff, and John Osekyn, of Lexden, defendant, for theft, of two horses, up to next hundred without essoign.

[Price of Corn.]

Thos. de Meldenhall distrained by 3 bushels of corn, price 21*d.*, in the hands of Richard Pyg, to reply, etc., debt. Further distraint ordered.

Still ordered to attach the body of Richard Blyk, chaplain, to reply to Roger f. Joh. le Smyth, trespass.

Distraints ordered against:—

Will. Napelef to reply to John Parles, debt.

John Burrich to reply to Walter Cokerel, debt.

John Rogger was summoned in presence of the Bailiffs, for non-appearance in the enquiry between John Bolex and John Hereward; also Thos. de Nanton for the same. Both in mercy 3*d.*

Ordered to appear:—

John atte Cherche to reply to the Bailiffs and Commonalty for over-loading the common pasture.

John Leuegor for the same.

Ralph de Teye for the same.

Great distraints ordered on:—

Wm. Lyndraper to reply to Clement le Dyere, debt.

Ralph de Coleville, merchant, to reply to Thos. de Eye, merchant, debt.

Rob. Springold to reply to John de Bottingham, debt.

John Brihtrich to reply to Roger le Lache, debt.

Ordinary distraints on:—

John Burrich, merchant, to reply to John Bande, of Ipswich.

Adam Spakeman and Alan his brother to reply to James de Bures for trespass.

Amiscia la Wrihtes complains of Thos. Harding for debt, and finds no pledges because she is a pauper.

The said Thomas finds pledges, Adam Brounadam and Thomas Passelewe.

Oliver Bastard, chaplain, complains of Roger le Wollemongere, debt. Pledge for prosecution, John de Berdefeld.

Ralph le Baker complains of Roger le Wollemonger, debt. Pledges, John Lucas and T. Passelewe.

Thos. Deynes complains of Roger Hotfot, trespass. Pledges, W. Gilemyn and Ralph Ode. The said Roger's pledges being Will. Gilemyn and T. Passelewe.

Thomas Deynes complains of John f. Rog. le Somenour, trespass. Pledge, Ralph Ode. The said John finding pledges, Roger Somenour and T. Passelewe.

Hundred of Colchester

Vigil of St. Andrew [Monday, 29th Nov.].

Essoigns.

Walter le Sadeler, of Coggeshall *v.* John Pach, of Halsted, debt, by Will. Parles.
Philip Rokele *v.* John f. Joh. de Rokele, debt, by Reginald le Sadeler.
Richard Safton *v.* Philippa Pecok, debt, by John le Mercer.
Roger Hotfot *v.* Thos. Deynes, trespass, by Richard Clericus.
Richard Crocer *v.* Will. de Mepeshale, by Joseph Elyanore.

Roger le Wollemonger for licence to agree with Oliver Bastard, chaplain, debt, in mercy 3*d.*

John Pach, of Halsted, for not prosecuting Walt. le Sadeler, of Coggeshall, debt, in mercy.

A day given for suit between Thos. de Leycestre and Ralph le Chaundeler, for detention of goods, and for a counter charge for debt.

A day given for suit between Ralph de Colne *v.* John Osekyn, of Lexden, for theft.

Membrane 3 *verso.*

Hundred of Colchester continued. Vigil of St. Andrew, 7th Edward III. [29th Nov.].

[Quarrel between Women.]

Adam le Spycer and Felicia plead not guilty of a trespass alleged by John f. Walter le Barber and Juliana his wife, viz., that Felicia, "in default of chastisement by the said Adam," committed an assault in the market place on the said Juliana, tearing out her hair, and carrying off two veils, price 2*sh.*, and inflicted other damage to the extent of 20*sh.* On an enquiry ordered, the case was adjourned to the Feast of St. Lucy following [13th Dec.].

A similar charge made by Margery Shipman against the same Felicia was similarly postponed.

A similar charge of assault made by Thomas Deynes against John f. Rog. le Somenour was similarly postponed.

Nicholas le Dyer accused by Will. Cokerel by Joseph Elyanor, his attorney, of owing 10*sh.* of silver. Ordered that William recover 8*sh.* and Nicholas in mercy.

Again ordered to distrain Geoffrey de Lexden to reply to John Tybbe for debt.

[Burgess Admitted.]

John Blunt received into Burgage, taking the oaths, paying fine of 10*sh.*, and finding pledges, Warin atte Welle, Henry Algod, John Gardiner, William le Dyer, shoemaker.

Distraints ordered on:—

John Lot	to reply	to	Willm. de Mepeshale.
Thos. de Mildenhale	,,	,,	Richard atte Ponde, of Colne Wake.
Rich. Blyk, chaplain,	,,	,,	John f. Rog. le Smyth.
Wm. Napelef	,,	,,	John Parles.
John Burrich	,,	,,	Walter Cokerel.
Roger le Wollemonger	,,	,,	Ralph le Baker.
William Lyndraper	,,	,,	Clement le Dyer.
Ralph de Coleville, merchant,	,,	,,	John de Bottingham.
John Brihtrich	,,	,,	Roger le Lache
John Burrich, merchant	,,	,,	John Bande, of Ipswich.
Adam and Alan Spakeman	,,	,,	James de Bures.

Ralph le Chaundeler complains of Thos. de Leycestre, sen., debt.

Clement le Dyere complains of Roger le Coverour and Joan his wife of detention of goods. Pledge for prosecution, W. de Reding.

The same Clement complains of Adam Brounadam, debt. Pledges, W. de Redingg and Thomas Passelewe. The said Adam finding pledges, William de Okele and Thomas Passelewe.

Adam Batayle complains of Wm. Blak. Pledge, W. Frege.

Richard de Colne came before Warin fil. Willelmi, bailiff, and acknowledged that he was bound to Joseph de Colcestre, clerk, in £4 5*sh.*, which he undertakes to pay on the days named.

Membrane 4.

Hundred

Monday, Feast of St. Lucy, 7th Edward III. [13th Dec.].

Essoigns.

Richard Safton *v.* Philippa Pecok, by Barthol le Chaundeler.
Adam Brounadam *v.* Clement le Dyere, by Robert de Hadleye.
Roger Hotfot *v.* Thos. Deynes, by Richard Clericus.
Richard Crocer *v.* Will. de Mepeshale, by Joseph Elyanor.

Day given to Adam Bataille, plaintiff, and William Blak, defendant.

John f. Rog. le Somenour for coming to an agreement with Ralph le Baker, in mercy.

Similarly Roger le Wollemonger with the same Ralph.

Day given to Richard de Colne, plaintiff, and John Osekyn, theft of two horses.

Day given to Thos. de Leycestre and Ralph le Chaundeler, detention of chattels, and a cross charge between the same for debt.

[Women's Quarrel.]

The adjourned enquiry into the alleged assault by Felicia le Spycer on Margery Shipman, before John le Chapman and other jurors, ended in Felicia being found not guilty, and Margery in mercy for the false charge.

Still ordered to distrain Geoffrey de Lexden to reply to John Tybbe, debt.

Great or ordinary distraints ordered on:—

John Lot	to reply to	Wm. de Mepeshale.
Thos. de Mildenhale	,, ,,	Rich. atte Ponde, of Colne Wake.

Ordered to be attached by his body, Rich. Blyk, chaplain, to reply to John f. Rog. le Smyth.

Distraints ordered on:—

John Burrich	to reply to	Walter Cokerel.
Wm. Lyndraper	,, ,,	Clement le Dyer.
Ralph de Coleville, merchant,	,, ,,	Thos. de Eye, merchant.
Ralph Springold	,, ,,	John de Bottingham.
John Brihtrich	,, ,,	Roger le Lache.
John Burrich	,, ,,	John Bande, of Ipswich, merchant.
Adam and Alan Spakeman	,, ,,	James de Bures.

John Jordan charges Richard Pyg with debt. Pledges for prosecution, John le Bowyer and T. Passelewe.

Ralph le Plouhwrihte charges Richard le Taillour with trespass. Pledges, John Maydegod and Thos. Passelewe. Richard finding pledges, John de Fynger and T. Passelewe.

John Rewes charges John de Causton with debt, the latter finding pledges, Thos. de Nanton and John atte Crosse.

Will. Gilemyn charges William Tye with debt. Pledges, Thomas Deynes and H. Algod. The said William Tye's pledges being Thos. Besouth and H. Algod.

Thos. Besouth charges Agnes Bonless with debt. Pledges, Geoffrey le Dyer and H. Algod.

Walter le Marler charges Ralph de Wendover, chaplain, with trespass.

Peter le Wylde charges Thomas Deynes with trespass.

Hundred

Monday after Feast of St. Hilary, 7th Edward III. [17th Jan., 1334].

Essoigns.

Richard le Taillour *v.* Ralph le Plouhwrihte, trespass, by John de Bottingham.
Adam Brounadam *v.* Clement le Dyer, debt, by Robert de Hadleye.
—— Rokele *v.* John f. J. de la Rokele, debt, by Richard Clerk.
John atte Hyde, skinner, *v.* Alice Pertrik, trespass, by Rich. Clerk.

A day given to John Rewes, plaintiff, and John de Causton.
,, ,, Wm. de Mepeshale, plaintiff, and Richard Crocer.
William Tye for coming to terms with Wm. Gilemyn, in mercy. Pledge, W. Gilemyn.
Richard Pyg for coming to terms with John Jordan, in mercy.

Membrane 4 verso.

STILL LAWEHUNDRED, MONDAY AFTER FEAST OF ST. HILARY, 7TH EDWARD III. [17TH JAN].

Essoigns.

Prior of St. Cross Hospital, by Joseph Elyanor.
The Prior of St. Botulph, by John Gardiner.
John de Sheldford, by Richard Clerk.
Will. de la Marche, by Will. de Hadleye.
Ralph Knyht, by Rob. Clericus.
Alan de la Neyloud, by Hy. Algod.
John Nichole, by Nich. Springold.
Hy. de Wenlond, by John Gardiner.
John f. J. de la Rokele, by W. de Hadleye.
John de Bergholte, clerk, by Richard Clericus.
Nich. le Cok, by Nich. le Herde.
John Lausele, by Rob. Clericus.
Rob. de Badelei, by Nich. Gros.

Richard Safton was attached to reply to Philip Pecok on plea of debt, 11*sh.*

Thomas Deynes pleads not guilty to a charge brought by Peter le Wylde against him and others, whose names he is ignorant of, for entering his close in Milard in the field called Godyerescroft, and carrying off 500 billets of wood, and a quarter of faggots. An enquiry ordered.

["WILLIAM BLACKINTHEMOUTH."]

Adam Batayle appears against William Blakinthemouth on plea "quod aquietet," the latter, not appearing, had a day at the last hundred to appear at this, and again did not come. He and his pledges in mercy, and to be put by great distraint against the next hundred. It was found that 7*sh.* 5*d.* were undefended by the distraint in the hands of John de Aston until he should be willing to reply to Adam. It was ultimately decided that the 7*sh.* 5*d.* be taken out of the hands of John de Aston, and remain in the Bailiffs' hands, and William to be distrained further.

Walter le Marler appeared against Ralph de Wendover, chaplain, on charge of trespass. It is replied by Thos. Passelewe, serjeant, that Ralph has nothing in his bailliwick by which he can be distrained to reply. Considered that all Ralph's tenants remaining in their houses "ex locato" [? on hire] be distrained to the value of their payment of those houses until the said Ralph is willing to justify himself to reply to the said Walter.

[CORN BOUGHT WITHOUT PAYMENT OF TOLL]

It was shown by the Farmer of the town that Thomas Besouth and Alice his wife bought 40*qr.* of corn within the Feast of St. Michael, Emma de Bottingham 60*qr.*, John atte Halle and his wife 40*qr.*, Matthew Wenlok 60*qr.*, Richard de Cosford and Nichole his wife 60*qr.*, Katharine de Stublee 60*qr.*, and Margery Sarcok 60*qr.*, Ralph Sweyn and John Torold 20*qr.*, Richard Scotard and his wife 70*qr.*, Hugh Trowe 60*qr.*, which corn they carried to their houses by night and day, and on which they ought to have been taxed, but the toll has been retained to the great loss of the said farmer and to the prejudice of the Borough and against their oath. Therefore all are summoned against the next hundred to answer to the Bailiff and Commonalty.

[PRICE OF CORN.]

Richard atte Ponde, of Colne Wake, appeared against Thomas de Mildenhale, baker, on plea of debt, that he had been several times distrained by 3 bushels of corn, price 21*d.*, which are in hands of Richard Pyg, miller, and the said Thomas having fled the country, there is nothing by which

he can be further distrained; Richard therefore demands the said corn to be delivered to him. Having sworn to the facts, "cum tertia manu,"* the corn was delivered to the said Richard.

PRESENTMENT OF THE JURORS on the articles of the Lawehundred abovesaid, who say on their oath that:—

John Top' and Henry Tebaud entered the grove of John de Ratlesden in Miland and cut down two trusses of twigs. Ordered to attach them to answer to the charge against the next hundred.

That Alice Pertrik raised hue justly on John atte Hyde, skinner, sen., in Estrate, who struck her. John in mercy.

[BEER-SELLERS FINED.]

The following sold beer against the assize, viz., a gallon for 1½*d*. In mercy.

John le Wollemonger's wife	Ralph Knyht's wife
Katharine de Stublee	Alexander atte Watere's wife
John atte Hyde's wife	John Edward's widow
Mariota, living in Fraunceys' tenement	Alice Prentiz
Richard le Barber's wife	Henry Josyas's wife
John de Dedham's wife	Prisca de Merseye
Robert Edward's wife	John Somer's wife
Richard de Cottard's wife	Adam Brounadam's wife
Richard de Colne's wife	John de Bergh's wife
John Soler's wife	Wm. le Ken's wife
Joan Wynterfeld	Wm. le Pottere's wife
John Neuard's wife	Adam f. Stephen's wife
Margaret Quayk	Philip Mercator's wife
William in the Hoye's wife	Wm. Sperling's wife
Matthew Wenlok	Robert de Colne's wife
John Lucas's wife	Richard Parlebien's wife
John Bely's wife	Richard Bradewey's wife
William de Maldon's wife	Warin atte Welle's wife
John Wyger's wife	Wm. le Dyer's wife
Elena, wife of Richard Ry	Margery Sarcok
Richard Dollard's wife	Walter de Illeye's wife
Alice, maid of Joseph	Wm. Brid's wife
William le Cobeler's wife	Richard Scotard's wife
Robert de Ardeleye's wife	Robert Scot's wife
Thomas Faber's wife	John de Sheldford's wife
John Olyve's wife	John Stokfissh's wife
Wm. Gilemyn's wife	John Rogger's wife
Agnes Denys	

Membrane 5.†

Hundred of Colchester

MONDAY AFTER FEAST OF ST. GREGORY, 8TH EDWARD III. [MARCH 14TH].

Essoigns.

John f. Walteri le Barber *v.* Adam le Spycer and Felicia his wife, trespass, by Wm. de Leycestre.
Juliana, wife of the said John, *v.* the same, by Wm. Wihtly.
Saer le Lorymer *v.* John de Leyre, tailor, debt, by Nich. de Leycestre.
Thomas Deynes *v.* Nich. de Leycestre and Joan his wife, debt, by John Gardiner.

* "Cum tertia manu," that is, he brought three witnesses to swear with him.
† Probably one or two membranes are missing here.

Day was given to Wm. f. Thome de la Mote, plaintiff, and Simon le Wollemonger, defendant, trespass.

Also to Simon Strintyn, plaintiff, and Will. f. Clementis le Fuller, trespass.

Ralph le Plouhwrihte seeks licence to reply concerning his complaint *v.* Richard le Tailiour, trespass, and has it.

Day given to:—

John Rewes, plaintiff, and Walter le Plomer, and John his brother, trespass.

Wm. de Mepeshale, plaintiff, and Richard Crocer, trespass.

Richard de Colne, plaintiff, and John Osekyn, of Lexden, theft of two horses.

Distraint ordered on Wm. Blakinthemouth to reply to Adam Bataille on plea of acquittance.

Distraint ordered on Ralph de Wendovere, chaplain, to reply to Walter le Marlere, trespass.

Simon le Wollemongere appeared against Roger le Wollemongere on plea of trespass. John Gardiner, serjeant, replied that Roger has nothing by which he can be distrained in his bailiwick. Distraint ordered as before.

Still ordered to distrain on Geoffrey de Lexden to reply to John Tybbe, debt.

Adam Brounadam pleads not guilty to the charge of Clement le Dyer for the cost of dyeing cloth and wool for him valued at 4*sh.* 6*d.*, and he has pledged his law, which Clement admits. Adam's pledge, T. Passelewe, and they have a day.

[Violent Assault with a "Washing Betel."]

INQUIRY by J. de Chapman, William de Cosford, and a jury, between Richard, clerk of St. Peter's, and Hawise his wife, plaintiffs, and Wm. le Delver and Agnes his wife, defendants, on a charge of trespass. viz., a voilent assault on the said Hawise with a "washing betel," drawing blood, etc. The jury find that Richard and Hawise may recover 40*d.* damages claimed, and the said Agnes for shedding of blood must stay in prison until etc. Afterwards William and Agnes find sureties.

[A Pond in Culver's Lane.]

The fines demanded from Richard de Colne in respect of his ditch at Holemere and his pond in Culverslane near the gate of his house are respited if he ceases to obstruct or founder; if not, to be levied.

[Burgesses Admitted.]

The following entered the Burgage, taking oaths, paying fine, 10*s.*, and finding pledges, viz.:—

John Sterre. Pledges, Henry Algod, Thos. Passelewe, John Gardiner, and Will. le Saltere.

Adam atte Strate de Yenge. Pledges, Richard le Barber, Henry Algod, Richard Edward, and Will. de Saltere.

[Saer le Kyng's Will—A Dispute.]

Joan fil. Saeri le Kynge, of Lexden, Petronilla and Alice her sisters bore the warrant of the King to the Bailiffs on Monday [14 March] after Feast of St. Gregory, as follows:—

That as it is the custom in the town of Colchester for any burgess who has acquired property in the said town and suburbs to bequeath it to whom he will, and as Saer le Kyng, formerly a burgess, bequeathed three acres of land there by his last will to his three daughters, Joan, Petronilla, and Alice, and as one Amice, widow of William f. Will. le Milnere, has taken possession of the said land, it is ordered the Bailiffs to summon the said Amice to answer to the said Joan, etc. Dated at York, 24th February, 8th Edward III. [1334].

The said complainants put in their place Matthew f. Roberti or Robert Clericus against the said Amice.

Membrane 5 verso.

THE SAME HUNDRED.

Ordered to distrain by great distraint John Lot to reply to W. de Mepeshale, trespass.

Ordered to attach by his body Richard Blake, chaplain, to reply to John f. Roger le Smyth, trespass.

Ordered to distrain John Burrich to reply to Walter Cokerel, debt.

Distraints ordered on:—

Wm. Lyndraper	to reply	to	Clement le Dyer, debt.
Ralph de Coleville, merchant,	,,	,,	Thos. de Eye, merchant.
Robert Springold	,,	,,	John de Bottingham.
John Brihtrich	,,	,,	Rog. le Lache.
John Burrich, merchant	,,	,,	John Bande, of Ipswich, merchant.
Adam and Alan Spakeman	,,	,,	James de Bures.

Hundred of Colchester

MONDAY, THE MORROW OF THE CLOSE OF EASTER, 8TH EDWARD III. [4TH APRIL].

Essoigns.

Thomas Deynes *v.* Nich. de Leycestre and Joan his wife, debt, by John Gardiner
John f. Walt. le Barbor *v.* Adam le Spycer and Felicia his wife, trespass, by Wm. de Leycestre.
Juliana, wife of the same, *v.* the same, by Thos. Passelewe.

William f. Clem. le Fullere for licence to come to terms with Simon Struttyn, trespass, in mercy.

Thos. Passelewe, sub-bailiff, witnesses that Amice, widow of William f. Will. le Milnere, of Lexden, was summoned by John atte Dyche, of Lexden, and Richard Dollard to appear before the Bailiffs to reply to Joan f. Saeri le Kyng, of Lexden, and her sisters Petronilla and Alice.

John Rewes for coming to terms with Walter le Plomer and John his brother, trespass, in mercy 3*d*.

Days given to:—

Will. f. Tho. de la Mote and Simon le Wollemongere.
Wm. de Mepeshale, plaintiff, and Richard Crocer.
Rich. de Colne, plaintiff, and John Osekyn, of Lexden.

Distraints ordered on:—

Wm. Blakinthemouth	to reply	to	Adam Bataille.
Ralph de Wendover, chaplain,	,,	,,	Walter le Marler.
Roger le Wollemonger	,,	,,	Simon le Wollemonger.
Geoffrey de Lexden	,,	,,	John Tybbe.

Joan f. Saeri le Kyng, and Petronilla and Alice her sisters appear against Amice, widow of Will. f. Will. le Melnere, of Lexden, concerning the three acres of land mentioned above, by Matthew f. Roberti their attorney. Ordered that the land be taken into the King's hands, and that a view be taken of the same by a jury, etc.

James le Herde, of Langenho, complains of John de Calthorp on plea of debt. Pledges for prosecution, W. Buk' and J. Gardiner. Distraint ordered on the said John.

Pleas, Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. Ambrose [11th April].

John de Calthorp distrained by a divided robe (?) [roba partita], value 10*sh.*, to reply to James le Herd, of Langenho. Being insufficient, it is ordered to take more, etc.

John Gest complains of John le Blachester, trespass; finds pledges to prosecute, Benedict le Baker and Thos. Passelewe. The said defendant finding pledges, John de Aston and T. P.

Distraint ordered on John de Calthorp to reply to James le Herd, of Langenho, debt.

Pleas, Colchester

Friday after the Feast of SS. Tyburtius and Valerian, 8th Edward III. [15th April].

Distraints ordered on:—

John de Calthorp	to reply to	John le Herde, debt.
John Lot	,, ,,	Wm. de Mepeshale.
Richard Blyk, chaplain,	,, ,,	John f. Rogeri.
John Burrich	,, ,,	Walter Cokerel.
Will. Lyndraper	,, ,,	Clement le Dyer.
Ralph de Colevile	,, ,,	Thomas de Eye, merchant.
Robert Springold	,, ,,	John de Bottingham.
John Brihtrich	,, ,,	Roger le Lache.
John Burrich, merchant,	,, ,,	John Bande, of Ipswich.
Adam and Alan Spakeman	,, ,,	James de Bures.

John Fynch, merchant, complains of William Gilemyn. Pledge, J. de Ratlesden.

Thos. de Burstalle complains of Will. atte Thorne. Pledges, W. Smewyne and T. Passelewe.

Membrane 6.

Agnes, widow of Elyas Danyel, complains of Wm. le Maschaun on plea of debt. Pledges for prosecution, Rob le Clerk and Jo. Gardiner.

Walter le Sadeler, of Illeye, complains of John le Wollemongere and Juliana his wife; finding pledge, Nicholas Springold.

[Young Oaks.]

John atte Noke convicted by an inquisition of cutting thirteen young oaks in the grove of Robert Edward in Miland.

Henry Horald raised hue unjustly on John atte Hyde in Colchester market place. Henry in mercy.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Feast of SS. Philip and James, 8th Edward III. [2nd May].

John Blachester for licence to come to terms with John Gest on plea of trespass.

William atte Thorne for the same with Thos. de Burstalle.

Emma, widow of Rob. de Walhawe, for the same with William Gille.

[Will of Saher le Peddere.]

The will of Saher le Peddere was proved before Ralph Ode, bailiff, in full hundred, by James Mandian and Geoffrey Thele, sworn and examined.

He bequeaths an acre of land called Sladaker in Colchester suburb. Two rents in Colchester suburb with plot of land adjacent his greater moor, and his moor at Cheldewelle, and the house he lived in, to be sold "for his soul" by his executors, whose names are Thomas atte Hache and John Sweyn. Dated, Feast of St. George [April 23rd], 1334.

[Women's Dispute.]

John fil. Walt. le Barber and Juliana his wife plead not guilty to a charge made by Adam le Spycer and Felicia his wife of an assault made by Juliana on Felicia, who tore her clothes and turned her out into the street; damages claimed 20*sh.* An enquiry was ordered.

Evidence given by T. Passelewe, sub-bailiff, of the view of the three acres of land in dispute between Joan, Petronilla, and Alice, daughters of Saer le Kyng, and Amice, widow of Will. f. Will. le Melner. Amice not appearing on the day appointed, the said Joan and her sisters asked for a better writ, etc.

Thos. Deynes was attached to reply to the charge of Nich. de Leycestre and Joan his wife of non-payment of a loan of 7*sh.* Thomas denies that he owes the money, and finds pledges for his law, viz., John de Fordham and Thos. Passelewe.

Wm. Gilemyn, attached to reply to John Fynch, of London, merchant, finding pledge, John de Bottingham.

Distraint ordered on John de Calthorp to reply to James le Herde, of Langenho, on plea of debt.

Walter le Sadeler, of Illeye, appeared against John le Wollemongere and Juliana his wife on plea of debt, and evidence was given by the sub-bailiff that John and Juliana were distrained by a . . . and an iron candlestick value 2*sh.*, which not being sufficient it was ordered, etc.

Agnes, widow of Elias Danyel, appeared against Wm. le Maschoun on plea of debt.

Day given to:—

Wm. de Mepeshale, plaintiff, and Richard Crocer, trespass.

Ric. de Colne, plaintiff, and John Osekyn, theft of two horses.

Ralph de Wendover, chaplain, to reply to Walter le Marler on plea of trespass, ordered to be distrained.

Distraints also ordered on:—

Roger le Wollemonger	to reply	to	Simon le Wollemonger, trespass.
Geoffrey de Lexden	,,	,,	John Tybbe, debt.
John Lot	,,	,,	Wm. de Mepeshale.
Richard Blyk, chaplain,	,,	,,	John f. Rog. le Smyth.
John Burrich	,,	,,	Walter Cokerel.
Wm. Lyndraper	,,	,,	Clem. le Dyer.
Ralph de Coleville, merchant,	,,	,,	Thos. de Eye, merchant.
Rob. Springold	,,	,,	John de Bottingham.
John Brihtrich	,,	,,	Rog. le Lache.
John Burrich, merchant,	,,	,,	John Bande.
Adam and Alan Spakeman	,,	,,	James de Bures.

Roger le Coverour, attached to reply to Clem. le Dyere, finds pledges, William Almar and Matthew f. Roberti.

Clement le Dyer complains of John Burrich, debt; finds pledges, J. de Ratlesden and H. Algod.

Will. le Maschoun, attached to reply to Agnes, widow of Elias Danyel, debt, finds pledges, John Maydegod, etc.

Membrane 6 verso.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday in Whitsun Week, 8th Edward III. [16th May].

Essoigns.

Will. Gilemyn, merchant, *v.* John Finch, of Lexden, by John de Bottingham.
John f. Walter le Barbor *v.* Ad. le Spycer and Felicia his wife, by Wm. de Leycestre.
Juliana, his wife, against the same, by Thos. Passelewe.
Rog. le Coverour against Clem. le Dyer, by Warin atte Welle.

A day given to Nich. de Leycestre and Joan his wife, plaintiffs, and Thos. Deynes, debt.

Agnes, widow of Elyas Danyel, appeared against Will. le Maschoun, who did not appear though often summoned; therefore he and his pledges in mercy.

[Forestallers.]

INQUISITION taken by Wm. Gilemyn and Rob. Palat and his companions, who say on their oath that Agnes Shussh and John Oldeman are common forestallers of fish, herring, sprats, and victuals of other kinds. To come up for judgment.

They also say that John f. Rog. le Somenour, Henry Horold, and Thomas Scot are not guilty of the same and may go free.

Gilbert le Clerk appeared against Thos. atte Voute, debt.

[Young Oaks.]

INQUIRY taken by Wm. Gilemyn, etc., as above, finds that John Fremyngham, Nich. de Leycestre, and Hen. le Barber are not guilty of lopping the young oaks in John Bacoun's grove.

[Common Litigious Females.]

Alice la Selkwimman and Mabel her daughter convicted on their own acknowledgment that they are common litigious persons; it is ordered that they undergo the judgment "del Theuh"* and on supplication of friends the punishment is commuted to a fine of 2*sh.*

Distraints ordered on:

John de Calthorp to reply to James le Herde, of Langenho.

John le Wollemonger and Juliana his wife to reply to Walter le Sadeler, of Illeye.

Clement le Dyer appears against John Burrich, debt. The sub-bailiff witnesses that he has been distrained, etc.

Day given to:—

William le Mepeshale, plaintiff, and Richard Crocer, trespass.

Richard de Colne and John Osekyn, of Lexden, two horses stolen.

Distraints ordered on:—

Ralph de Wendover, chaplain,	to reply	to	Walter le Marler.
Rog. le Wollemonger	,,	,,	Simon le Wollemonger.
Geoffrey de Lexden	,,	,,	John Tybbe
John Lot	,,	,,	Wm. de Mepeshale
Richard Blyk, chaplain	,,	,,	John. f. Rog. le Smyth.
John Burrich	,,	,,	Walter Cokerel.
Wm. Lyndraper	,,	,,	Clem. le Dyer.

* Theu = cucking stool (Brand's *Popular Antiquities, iii. 52.*)

Ralph de Coleville, merchant,	to reply	to	Thos. de Eye, merchant.
Rob. Springeld	,,	,,	John de Bottingham.
John Brihtrich	,,	,,	Rog. le Lache.
John Burrich, merchant	,,	,,	John Bande, of Ipswich.
Adam and Alan Spakeman	,,	,,	Jacob de Bures.

[Action against the Abbot of St. Osyth.]

John Rewes complains of the Abbot of St. Osyth for detaining a horse. Pledges for prosecution, John de Ratlesden and Hy. Algod. The said Abbot also finds pledges, James de Bures and Wm. de Teye.

Adam le Palmere complains of John Oldeman, debt. Pledges, Roger Somenour and T. Passelewe, John finding the same pledges.

[Wine at £1 13s. 4d. a Cask.]

John atte Halle complains of Walter Daulard, of Sandwich. Pledges, John Gardiner and T. Passelewe.

The said Walter distrained by six casks of wine, valued at £10, afterwards finds pledges to reply, William Buk and Thos. de la Mote.

Thos. le Smyth, of Estrate, complains of Rob. de Ardeleye.

John de Bolemere complains of William Ion, of Yarmouth, on plea of debt. Pledges for prosecution, Peter de Aston and H. Algod.

Membrane 7.

Lawehundred, Colchester

Monday next after Hokeday [30th May].

Essoigns.

John f. Walteri le Barber *v.* Adam le Spycer and Felicia his wife, trespass, by Henry Algod.
Juliana, his wife, *v.* the same, by Thos. Passelewe.
Thomas Deynes *v.* Nich. de Leycestre and Joan his wife, by Gilbert Clericus.

Simon le Wollemonger for licence to come to terms with William f. Thome de la Mote, in mercy.

Adam Brounadam for the same with Clement le Dyer.

Essoigns "de communi."

Philip Rokele, by Reginald le Sadelere.
John de Stratton, by Richard Clericus.
John de Bergholte, by Adam Brounadam.
John le Chapman, by Robert Clericus.
Thos. Fraunceis, by Hen. Algod.
James de Bures, by Adam de Leycestre.
Warin atte Welle, by Peter de Aston.
Edm. le Boucher, by Rob. le Clerk.
John Lucas, by Matthew f. Roberti.
John de Lausele, by John le Webbe.
Richard de Bradewey, by Robert Clericus.
Henry de Weulond, by John Gardiner.
Robert de Sadelee, by Nicholas le Gros.
Will. de la Marche, by Wm. de Hadleye.

Saer le Lorymer for licence to come to terms with John de Leyre, Taillour, debt, in mercy 3*d.*

Day given to:—

Wm. de Mepeshale, plaintiff, and Richard Crocer, trespass.

Richard de Colne, plaintiff, and John Osekyn, of Lexden.

Distraints ordered on:—

Ralph de Wendover, chaplain, to reply to Walter le Marler, trespass.

Roger le Wollemonger „ „ Simon le Wollemonger, trespass.

Geoffrey de Lexden „ „ John Tybbe, debt,

John de Calthorp „ „ James le Herde, of Langenho

[Burgess Admitted.]

William atte Grove entered the Burgage, taking the oaths, paying the usual fine of 10*sh.*, and finding pledges, Richard Noreys, Roger Belch, John Rewes, and Simon le Wollemonger.

[Avoiding Distraint.]

John Fynch, of London, merchant, appeared by Robert Clericus, his attorney, *v.* Wm. Gilemyn, merchant, debt. Evidence was given by Th. Passelewe, sub-bailiff, that William was distrained by two brazen pots, and a further distraint being ordered, it was found he had no other goods except shut up under lock of the said William. Ordered therefore to sequestrate the doors where such goods were kept under lock until, etc., and a day was given to the said John Fynch.

The case of Joan, Petronilla, and Alice, daughters of Saer le Kyng, *v.* Amice, widow of Will. f. Will. le Milnere; further postponed.

[Measled Flesh.]

Fines levied on:—

Ralph Raven, John Hereward, Adam le Sorvehaler, Alex. Howard, for selling measled flesh on their stalls.

Thos. de Burstalle and Ralph le Baker appeared against Wm. atte Thorne, trespass, and Hen. Algod, sub-bailiff, witnessing that they had no goods by which they could be distrained, it was ordered to attach their bodies.

[Another Case of Distraint.]

Gilbert le Clerk appeared against Thos. atte Voute, debt. Distrained by a table, and a further distraint being ordered, John Gardiner, sub-bailiff, reports that he has no other goods except under lock and key. Ordered to sequestrate the doors, and a day given to Gilbert.

[Deed of Feoffment.]

William f. Joh. atte Hedych, of Colchester, and John f. Rob. Taillour, of Colchester, came into full lawehundred before Warin f. Will. and Ralph Ode, bailiffs, and acknowledged a certain charter of feoffment which John Springold showed there to be the deed of the said William and John, viz.:—

Grant of feoffment by the said Wm. and John to John Springold of a messuage, etc., in the town of Colchester in the parish of All Saints, situate between the tenement of Ric. Edward westwarde and John Rady's tenement and John de Ratlesden's garden on the east, subject to a rent of 6*d.* to the church of All Saints.

Witnesses: Warin f. Willelmi, Ralph Ode, Bailiffs, John de Rattlesden, John de Sheldford, and Robert f. Rob. le Taillour, Rob. le Clerk. Dated 18th April, 8th Edward III.

PRESENTATION OF JURORS on the articles of Lawehundred, who say on their oath:—

[BEER-SELLERS PRESENTED]

That the following sold beer against the assize, viz., a gallon for 1½*d.*, and are in mercy:—

John le Wollemongere's wife
Wm. de Hadleye's wife
Katharine, w. of John de Fordham
John atte Hyde's wife
Mariota, living in Fraunceys's tenement
Ric. le Barber's wife
John de Dedham's wife
Robert Edward's wife
Rich. de Cosford's wife
Rich. de Colne's wife
John de Aston's wife
John Soler's wife
Joan Wynterflod
John Nevard's wife
Margaret Quayk
Wm. in-the-Heye's wife
Matthew Wenlok
John Lucas's wife
John Bely's wife
Wm. de Malden's wife
John Wyger's wife
Richard Dollard's wife
Martin Cissor's wife
Robert Scot's wife
John de Sheldford's wife
Robert de Leyre's wife
John Stokfyssh's wife
John Rogger's wife
Wm. le Cobeler's wife
Robt. de Ardeleye's wife
Alice Porters
Wm. Gille's wife
John Fynch's wife
Nicholas Lyndraper's wife
Alice Parsones
Margery Humfrey
John Maydegod's wife
Elicia Costynes
Ralph Baldewyne's wife
Isabella Tyes
Thomas Faber
Adam Lacy's wife
Joan Tony
Roger Belch's wife
Walter le Tanner's widow
Wm. Hydman's wife
John Swarthar's wife
Philippa Pecok
Richard Payn's wife
Adam Bataille's wife
Alice, maidservant of Josep
Wm. Gilemyn's wife
Agnes Dennys
Ralph Knyht's wife
Alex. atte Watere's wife
John Edward's widow
Alice Prentis
Wife of Hy. Josyas
Prisca de Merseye
Brounadam's wife
Wife of Edm. Carnifex
Richard Crocer's wife
John de Adburghton's wife
Philip le Chapman's wife
Tho. de Dedham's wife
Rich. de Bradewey's wife
Warin atte Welle's wife
Wm. le Dyer's wife
Margery Sarcok
Walter de Illeigh's wife
Emma de Bottingham
John le Ferrour's wife
Walter de Firimare's wife
John atte Halle's wife
Wm. atte Hedych's wife
Thos. Besouth's wife
Beatrix la Gannoker
Joan Thele
Edm. le Chaloner's wife

[FORESTALLERS.]

The following are common forestallers of poultry, dairy, fish, etc., and are in mercy:—

Christian, widow of Geoffrey de Samanton
Isabella Melueres
Agnes Welker
Roger le Somenour

Aveline Smythes
John Somenour
Ida Hotfot
Nich. Smart's wife
Roger Daveys
Thos. de Cant's wife

The following raised hue justly:—
Joan Lilyie on John le Couter, at New Heath.
Joan, w. of Ric. Pye, on Nich. Gardiner, in St. John's Abbey.
Wm. le Webbe on Rob. de Colne, in North Strete.
Joan Tymyot drew blood of Geoffrey de Fingrinho, in mercy.
Walter le Plomer raised hue justly on John Rewes.
Henry de Weston „ „ „ John Solers.

[Cutting down the Rector of Mile End's Young Oaks.]

At an enquiry made by Wm. de Redingg, Robert Palat, and others, it is found that the following were guilty of entering the grove of John de Betoun, rector of St. Michael of Miland, and sawing and cutting down young oaks, viz.:—

John le Sawyer, John de Frennyng, Nicholas de Leycestre, and Hen. le Barbour.

And that the last two committed the same in the grove of John de Ratlesden.

[Digging in the Highway.]

The same Jurors say that John le Goggere and John Dannyld dug clay in the King's highway at Dannyldeshel, whereby he has hollowed out the road to the danger of travellers, etc. Ordered to stop up the holes.

[Forestallers.]

The following were found to be forestallers of fresh herring and sprat and similar victual, William le Salter, Agnes Shussh, John Oldeman, John f. Rog. le Somenour, Henry Horold, and Thos. Scot, viz., that they go and meet the merchants bringing in their victuals to market, buy the same and sell them as their own. All plead not guilty, and an enquiry is ordered.

In the same way John de Frennyngham, Nicholas de Leycestre, and Henry le Barbour plead not guilty, and an enquiry is ordered.

Membrane 8.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. Augustine, 8th Edward III. [30th May].

Essoigns.

John f. Walt. le Barber *v.* Adam le Spycer and Felicia his wife, whereupon an enquiry, by W. de Leycestre.
Joan, wife of same, *v.* the same, by Thos. Passelewe.
John Oldeman *v.* Richard le Palmer, debt, by John Gardiner.
John Prennyng, attorney of the Abbot of St. Osyth, *v.* John Rewes, on plea of detention of one horse, by John Parles.
William Gilemyn, merchant, *v.* John Fynch, of London, merchant, debt, by John atte Halle.
Roger le Coverour *v.* Clement le Dyere, trespass, by Warin atte Welle.

Thos. Deynes for licence to come to terms with Nich. de Leycestre and Joan his wife, debt, in mercy 6*d*.

Wm. de Mepeshale for not prosecuting Richard Crocer, trespass, in mercy iii*d*.

Ralph de Wendover, chaplain, for licence to come to terms with Walter le Marler, trespass, in mercy.

A day given to John atte Halle, plaintiff, and Walter Daulard, of Sandwich, debt.

The same seeks permission to reply concerning his complaint *v.* Walter Daulard, of Sandwich.
John de Belemer seeks the same *v.* William Ton, of Yarmouth.
Agnes Shussh fined 2*sh.* for forestalling.
John Oldeman 6*d.* for same offence.

Pleas

Wednesday, Feast of St. Nicomede, in the same year [1st June].

A day given to John Rewes, plaintiff, and the Abbot of St. Osyth, defendant, on charge of theft of a horse.

Distraints ordered on:—

Geoffrey de Lexden to reply to John Tybbe, debt.
John de Calthorp ,, ,, John le Herde, of Langenhoe, debt.
John le Wollemonger and Juliana his wife to reply to Walter le Sadeler, of Illeigh, debt.
John Burrich to reply to Clement le Dyere, debt.

Richard de Colne and John Osekyn, of Lexden, had a day given.
Ordered to distrain Thos. atte Vonte to reply to Gilbert le Clerk on plea of debt.
Distraint ordered on:—

John Lot to reply to Wm. de Mepeshale, trespass.

Ordered to attach the body of Rich[d] Blyk, chaplain, to reply to Rog. le Smyth, trespass.
Distraints ordered on:

John Burrich	to reply	to	Walter Cokerel, debt.
Wm. Lyndraper	,,	,,	Clem. le Dyer, debt.
Ralph de Coleville	,,	,,	Thos. de Eye, merchant.
Rob. Springold	,,	,,	John de Bottingham, debt.
John Brihtrich	,,	,,	Roger le Lache, debt.
John Burrich, merchant	,,	,,	John Bande, of Ipswich, merchant, debt.
Adam and Alan Spakeman	,,	,,	James de Bures, trespass.

John Caperoun complains of Simon atte Nassh, James le Sadeler, Alice his wife, and Elias Sare, trespass.

Agnes de Fordingbregge complains of Matilda de Manitre for trespass, and Matilda also charges Agnes with the same, finding pledges, Ralph le Baker and Thomas Passelewe.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. Barnabas [13th June].

Essoigns.

John f. Walt. le Barber *v.* Adam le Spycer and Felicia his wife, trespass, whereupon an enquiry, by W. de Leycestre.
Juliana, his wife, against the same, by Th. Passelewe.
John Oldeman *v.* Richard le Palmere, debt, by Robert Clericus.
Roger le Coverour, merchant, *v.* John Fynch, of London, merchant, by John Gardiner.

John Rewes seeks licence to reply concerning his complaint against the Abbot of St. Osyth.
Rob. de Ardeleye to come to terms with Thos. le Smyth, in mercy.
Adam Ibbe ,, ,, ,, Rich. le Doulier. Pledge, Matthew f. Rob., in mercy.
John Bodyes and Lote Briddes fined for forestalling.

Membrane 8 *verso.*

[Assault in Head Street.]

Matilda de Manytre was attached to reply to Agnes de Fordingebregge on plea of trespass, viz., that she assaulted her in Hefdstrate, striking her with her fist. Matilda pleading not guilty, an enquiry by the "neighbourhood" of the Hefdstrate is ordered.

Ordered to distrain on Geoffrey de Lexden to reply to John Tybbe, debt.

Also John de Calthorpe to reply to James le Herde, of Langenho.

Also John de Wollemonger and Juliana his wife to reply to Walter le Sadeler, debt.

Also John Burrich to reply to Clement le Dyer, debt.

A day given to Richard de Colne, plaintiff, and John Osekyn, defendant, for seizure of two horses.

Distraint ordered on Thos. atte Voute to reply to Gilbert le Clerk, debt.

John Caperoun appeared against Simon atte Nassh, James le Sadeler, Elias Sare, and Simon Crabbe, and as the sub-bailiff, John Gardiner, reports that they have no goods by which they can be distrained, it is ordered to attach their bodies, etc.

Distraint ordered on Roger le Wollemonger to reply to Simon le Wollemonger, trespass.

Also on John Lot to reply to Wm. de Mepeshale, trespass.

Roger Parlebien complains of Christina la Herdler, debt. Pledges to prosecute, Adam atte Watere and T. Passelewe.

Richard le Tannere and Agnes his wife complain of Wm. le Delver and Agnes his wife, trespass.

Wm. and Agnes, attached to reply to the said Richard and Agnes, find pledges, Clement le Dyer and T. P.

Simon atte Nassh, James le Sadeler, Elyas Sare, and Simon Crabbe, attached to reply to John Caperoun, trespass; found pledges, John atte Nassh and Walter le Sadeler.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Feast of Nativity of St. John the Baptist, 8th Edward III. [27th June].

Essoigns.

Geoffrey de Lexden *v.* John Tybbe, debt, by Peter Prille.
John Oldeman *v.* Rich. le Palmere, debt, by Robert Clericus.
William le Delver *v.* Rich. le Tanner, trespass, by Wm. Shakeleg'.

Gilbert le Clerk seeks liberty to reply concerning his complaint against Thos. atte Voute, debt.

A day was given to John Fynch, of London, merchant, and Wm. Gilemyn, merchant, debt, to next hundred.

Also to John Caperoun, plaintiff, and Simon atte Nassh, James le Sadeler, Elias Sarre, and Simon Crabbe, defendants, trespass.

John de Calthorp for licence to come to terms with James le Herde, of Langenho, debt, in mercy 6*d.*

[Assault Case.]

The enquiry by Walter de Cogg', sadeler, and John atte Nassh, etc., into the charge of assault brought by Felicia, wife of Adam le Spycer, against Juliana, w. of John f. Walt. le Barber, find that Adam and Felicia may recover against John and Juliana 12*d.* damages.

Pleas, Colchester

Friday after Feast of SS. Peter and Paul [1st July].

Essoigns.

Roger le Bole *v.* Will. f. Lucie, trespass, by John Gardiner.
Matilda, wife of the same Roger, against the same, by Roger Welch.

Alice la Herde complains of Wm. de Notingham, trespass; pledges for prosecution, William de Gosford and Thos. Passelewe. The said William finding pledges, John Gilour and Roger Edward.

Membrane 9 recto.

Robert Leman complains of Richard Shipman, trespass. Pledges for prosecution, Robert le Clerk and John Gardiner. It is ordered to attach the said Richard to reply, etc.

Pleas, Colchester

Tuesday before Translation of St. Thomas, M., 8th Edward III. [5th July].

Essoigns.

Roger le Bole *v.* Will. f. Lucie, trespass, by John Gardiner.
Matilda, wife of Roger, by John atte Gate.

William de Notingham pleads not guilty to the charge of Alice la Herde for assault in the market place opposite St. Peter's Church. An enquiry ordered.

[Another Quarrel between Women.]

The enquiry concerning the hue raised at La Northssherd taken by Robert le Sleywrihte, Robert Scot, etc., finds that Joan Jubbe raised hue justly on Agnes f. Emme Pach, who did "hamsokne," and struck her. Agnes to be attached by her body.

Pleas, Colchester

Friday after Translation of St. Thomas M. [same year] [8th July].

Essoigns.

Roger le Bole *v.* Will. f. Lucie, trespass, by John Gardiner.
Matilda, w. of Roger, against the same, by Richard Clericus.

Pleas, Colchester

Saturday after Feast of Translation of St. Thomas, M. [9th July].

Rog. le Bole for licence to come to terms with Will. fil. Lucie, trespass, in mercy 3*d.*
Matilda, his wife, concerning fine for trespass, litigation, in mercy 3*d.*
Distraints ordered on:—

John le Wollemonger and Juliana his wife to reply to Walter le Sadeler, of Illeye, debt. A day given.

John Burrich to reply to Clement le Dyer, debt.

A day given to Richard de Colne, plaintiff, and John Osekyn, of Lexden, defendant, seizure of two horses.

Distraints ordered on:—

Richard le Wollemonger	to reply	to	Simon le Wollemonger, trespass.
John Lot	,,	,,	Wm. de Mepeshale, trespass.
Wm. Lyndraper	,,	,,	Clem. le Dyer, debt.
Richard Blyk, chaplain	,,	,,	John f. Rog. le Smyth, trespass.
John Burrich	,,	,,	Walter Cokerel, debt.
Richard de Coleville, merchant	,,	,,	Thos. de Eye, merchant, debt.
Robert Springold	,,	,,	John de Bottingham, debt.
John Brihtrich	,,	,,	Rog. le Lache, debt.
John Burrich, merchant	,,	,,	John Waude, of Ipswich, debt.
Adam and Alan Spakeman	,,	,,	James de Bures, trespass.

Richard de Langham complains of Alexander Hereward, debt. The said Alexander finds pledges, John Gilonn and Thos. Passelewe.

Nicholas le Gardiner complains of Richard and Joan Pye, trespass. Pledges, Richard Bradeway and Tho. Serviens. The defendants finding pledges, Walter le Marler and Th. Passelewe.

Adam Brounadam came before Warin fil. Willelmi and Ralph Ode, Bailiffs, and acknowledged that he was bound to Hugh de Feringge in 25*sh.* Ordered to levy that sum from Adam's goods and chattels against the next hundred.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Translation of St. Thomas, M., same year [11th July].

Essoigns.

Geoffrey de Lexden *v.* John Tybbe, debt, by Robt. Leman.
Will. le Delver *v.* Richard le Tanner, trespass, John Farthing.

Richard Pye and Joan his wife for licence to come to terms with Nich. le Gardiner, trespass, in mercy 3*d.*

Richard de Langham for not prosecuting against Alex. Hereward, in mercy.

Days given to:—

John Fynch, of London, merchant, plaintiff, and Wm. Gilemyn, defendant, debt.

John Caperoun, plaintiff, and Simon atte Nassh, Jas. le Sadeler, Elias Sarre, and Will. Crabbe, defendants, trespass.

Richard de Colne, plaintiff, and John Osekyn, of Lexden, seizure of two horses.

Membrane 9 *verso.*

THE ENQUIRY by John Dolkyn, William de Okele, etc., found guilty Wm. de Notingham for an assault on Alice la Herde, who may recover damages 3*d.*

Distraints ordered on:—

John le Wollemonger and Juliana his wife to reply to Walter le Sadeler, of Illeye, debt.

John Burrich	to reply	to	Clement le Dyer, debt.
Rog. le Wollemonger	,,	,,	Simon le Wollemonger, trespass.
Rog. le Coverour	,,	,,	Clement le Dyer, trespass.
John Lot	,,	,,	Wm. de Mepeshale, trespass.
Richard Blyk	,,	,,	John f. Rog. le Smyth, trespass.
John Burrich	,,	,,	Walter Cokerel, debt.
Wm. Lyndraper	,,	,,	Clement le Dyer, debt.

Ralph de Coleville	to reply to Thos. de Eye, debt.
Robt. Springold	,, ,, John de Bottingham, debt.
John Brihtrich	,, ,, Rog. le Lache, debt.
John Burrich	,, ,, John Bande, of Ipswich, debt.
Adam and Alan Spakeman his brother	,, ,, James de Bures, trespass.

John Dolkyn complains of Will. de Cosford, trespass. Pledges for prosecuting, Thomas Super-Murum and Thos. Passelewe. The said William finding pledges, viz., John de Aston and Thos. Passelewe.

Wm. de Cosford complains of John Dolkyn, trespass. Pledges, Hugh le Taillour and Thos. Passelewe. John's pledges being Benedict le Baker and Wm. le Skinner.

Wm. Gilemyn complains of Geoffrey Bret, chaplain, and Walt. le Taillour, trespass. Pledges, John Gardiner and T. Passelewe. Walter's pledges being Simon Strutyn and Thos. Passelewe.

Wm. de Peldon complains of Hen. Hurteby, plea of covenant. Pledges, Rog. de Peldon and J. Gardiner. The said Henry being attached, finding pledges, Wm. de Leycestre and J. Gardiner.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. Mary Magdalene, same year [25th July].

Essoigns.

Will le Delver *v.* Richard le Tanner, trespass, by Simon Beynard.
Geoffrey de Lexden *v.* John Tybbe, debt, by John atte Gate.
Agnes, wife of Wm. le Delvere, *v.* Richard le Tanner, trespass, by Matthew le Verrer.

The following in mercy for licence to come to terms:—
Henry Hurtelz with Wm. de Peldon.
John Dolkyn with Wm. de Cosford.
Wm. de Cosford with John Dolkyn.

Robert Leman seeks licence to reply in his complaint *v.* Rich[d] Shipman.

A day given to:—
John Caperoun, plaintiff, and Simon atte Nasshe, James le Sadelere, Elias Sarre, and Wm. Crabbe, defendants.
John Fynch, of London, merchant, plaintiff, and Wm. Gilemyn, merchant, defendant.
Rich[d] de Colne, plaintiff, and John Osekyn, of Lexden, defendant.

Tho. le Somenour acknowledges before Warin f. Will. and Ralph Ode, Bailiffs, that he is bound to John Yook, of Sandwich, in 40*s.*, payable on Feast of St. Bartholomew, on non-payment of which the Bailiffs may raise from his goods and chattels.

Membrane 10.

Still the Hundred, same date as above [25th July].

Walter le Taillour pleads not guilty to a charge of wounding and assault brought by Wm. Gilemyn, in Estokwellestrate. An enquiry ordered.

Ralph f. Juliane la Webbe, of Pebemerssh, brought the King's writ of right against Wm. Hydman and Agnes his wife, who have seized a messuage which the said Ralph claims to hold from the Crown at a penny rent service.

Adam le Gardiner complains of Wm. Smewyne, trespass. Pledges, John de Bergh and Thos. Passelewe. William's pledges, Nicholas Smart and Thos. Passelewe.

John Ode, of Miland, complains of John le Lambherd, trespass. Pledges, Joseph Elianore and T. Passelewe. John le Lambherd's pledges being John Tybbe and T. Passelewe.

Thos. and Matilda Deynes complains of Richard Pig, debt. Pledges, Saer le Lorymer and T. Passelewe. The said Richard was distrained by a horse, a washhand bason, and a curtepye (short cloak of blue), valued at 10*sh.*, which being insufficient a further distraint was ordered.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. Peter ad Vincula [8th Aug.].

Henry Algod, sub-bailiff, witnesses that Will. Hydman and Agnes his wife were summoned by John Swarthar and Roger Symund to be at the next hundred to reply to Ralph f. Juliane la Webbe, of Pebemerssh, on plea of land.

Essoigns.

Ralph f. Juliane la Webbe, of Pebbemarsh, *v.* Will. Hydman and Agnes his wife, on plea of land, by Matthew f. Roberti.
Will. Hydman *v.* the same Ralph, by Robert Clericus.
Agnes, his wife, *v.* ,, ,, by John Gardiner.
John Ode, of Miland *v.* John le Lambherd, by Rich. Clericus.
John le Lambherd *v.* John Ode, by H. Algod.
Wm. Smewyne *v.* Adam le Gardiner, by Will. de Leycestre.

Will. Gilemyn, merchant, for licence to come to terms with John Fynch, of London, debt.

Walter le Taillour for the same with Wm. Gilemyn.

Richard le Tanner and Agnes his wife appeared against Wm. and Agnes le Delver, who being often called did not appear. Therefore they and their pledges in mercy, and to be put by great distraint against the next hundred.

[Illtreatment of a Burgess at Chelmsford].

Wm. Smewyne, skinner, burgess, was summoned to reply to the charge that he being a burgess and having taken his oath to preserve the liberties, etc., had annoyed and illused another burgess, viz., Adam le Gardiner, outside the Borough, viz., at Chelmsford. William having acknowledged the summons and put himself on the mercy of the Commonalty has a day at next hundred to receive judgment.

[Meat Stall in the Market.]

Edmund Carnifex appeared before the Bailiffs and Commonalty and surrendered a meat stall in the market, which he held from the Commonalty by service of 2*sh.* per annum, to the use of Adam le Sowehaler, butcher, to whom the Commonalty leased the same; the said Adam paying a fine of 6*d.* on entry.

Days given to:—

John Caperoun, plaintiff, and Simon atte Nassh, James le Sadeler, Elias Sarre, and Will. Crabbe, defendants.

Richard de Colne, plaintiff, and John Osekyn, of Lexden.

John Tybbe, plaintiff, and Geoffrey de Lexden.

John le Wollemonger and Juliana his wife distrained to reply to Walter le Sadeler, of Illeye, debt.

Clement le Dyer appeared against John Burrich, for debt, and the said John was distrained by a gridiron, a tabbard, and an andiron.

Ordered to distrain Roger le Wollemonger to reply to Simon le Wollemonger, trespass.

Ordered to put by great distraint Roger le Coverour to reply to Clement le Dyer, trespass.

Membrane 10 *verso*

Pleas, Colchester

Wednesday, Feast of St. Lawrence, 8th Edward III. [10th August].

Adam le Spycer and Felicia his wife complain of John Fynch on plea of trespass. Pledges, John Giloun and Thos. Passelewe. The said John's pledges being John de la Rokele and John Gardiner.

The same Adam and Felicia for not prosecuting J. Finch are in mercy.

Pleas, Colchester

Thursday after the above Feast [11th August].

Richard Pig for licence to come to terms with Thos. Deynes, in mercy, and Thos. Passelewe is free.

Distraints ordered on:

John Lot to reply to Wm. de Mepeshale, trespass.
Richard Blyk, chaplain, to be attached to reply to John f. Rogeri le Smyth.
John Burrich to reply to Walter Cokerel, debt.
Wm. Lyndraper ,, ,, Clement le Dyer, debt.
Ralph de Coleville ,, ,, Thomas de Eye, debt.
John Brihtrich ,, ,, Roger le Lache, debt.
John Burrich ,, ,, John Bande, debt.
Adam and Alan Spakeman ,, ,, James de Bures, trespass.

Ralph f. Juliane la Webbe de Pebmarsh puts in his place Robert le Clerk, his attorney, against Wm. Hydman and Agnes his wife.

Wm. Lyndraper complains of Juliana Colles, trespass. Pledges, Edmund Carnifex and T. Passelewe. Juliana's pledges being John Begeville and T. Passelewe.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday before Feast of St. Bartholomew [22nd August].

Essoigns.

William Hydman *v.* Rob. f. Juliane la Webbe de Pebemerssh, on plea of land, by Mathew f. Roberti, and Agnes his wife, by John Gardiner.
Ralph f. Jul. la Webbe, by Robert Clericus; his attorney appeared on the same day against William and Agnes in said plea,
Wm. Smewyne *v.* Adam Gardiner, trespass, by John le Comber.
Juliana Colles *v.* Wm. Lyndraper, trespass, by Richard Clericus.
John Ode, of Miland *v.* John le Lambhierd, trespass, by Richard Clericus.
John le Lambhierd *v.* John Ode, by John de Bottingham.

Days given to:—

John Caperoun, plaintiff, and Simon atte Nassh, James le Sadeler, Elias Sarre, and Wm. Crabbe, defendants, trespass.

John Tybbe, plaintiff, and Geoffrey de Lexden, debt.

Richard de Colne and John Osekyn, of Lexden, theft of two horses.

[Lease of Land near the Castle.]

The Bailiffs and Commonalty of Colchester granted and leased to Henry Osekyn an empty plot of land, 28*ft.* by 18*ft.*, at Maydenburgh, near land belonging to the Castle, at a yearly rent of 12*d.*

[Forestallers Threatened with the Pillory.]

William le Salter and Ida Hotfot attached to reply concerning a forestalling of fish, viz., eight mullet bought before the proper and appointed hour, price 21*d.* On their confessing the sale the money was forfeited to the use of the Bailiffs. On the prayer, however, of two mounted King's messengers there, the forfeit was condoned to 10*d.*, but they were warned if it happened again they would be condemned to the Pillory.

A day was given to Wm. Smewyn to receive judgment on his recognisance made before the Bailiffs as above appears.

Wm. Pegon came before the Bailiffs, etc., in full hundred, and acknowledged that he is bound to James de Bures in 18*sh.*, to be paid by the Feast of Exaltation of Holy Cross [14th September], or else to be raised from his goods.

Membrane 11.

Still the Hundred, Monday before Feast of St. Bartholomew, 8th Edward III. [22nd Aug.].

[Alleged Assault in West Stockwell Street.]

Will le Delver and Agnes his wife plead not guilty to a charge of assault in Westokwollestrat committed by the latter "for want of chastisement by her husband, the said William," on Agnes, wife of Richard le Tannere. Enquiry ordered.

Distraint ordered on John le Wollemonger and Juliana his wife to reply to Walter le Sadeler, of Illeye, debt.

Clement le Dyer appeared against John Burrich for debt, and the said John was distrained by a gridiron, a tabbard, and an andiron, and a further distraint was ordered.

Distraints ordered on :—

Roger le Wollemonger	to reply to	Simon le Wollemonger.	
Roger le Coverour	„	„	Clement le Dyer.
John Lot	„	„	Wm. de Mepeshale.
Rich. Blyk, chaplain, to be attached to reply to John f. Rog. le Smyth.			
John Burrich to reply to Walter Cokerel, debt.			
Wm. Lyndraper	to reply to	Clement le Dyer.	
Ralph de Coleville	„	„	Thos. de Eye.
Rob. Springold	„	„	John de Bottingham.
John Brihtrich	„	„	Roger le Lache.
John Burrich	„	„	John Bande.
Adam and Alan Spakeman	„	„	James de Bures.

Richard atte Crosse, of Brihtlinggeseye, complains of John Batewyf for trespass. Pledges, Ralph Ode and T. Passelewe, and John's pledges were Thos. Deynes and John Gardiner.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Decollation of St. John Baptist, 8th Edward III. [5th Sept.].

Essoigns.

Rob. le Clerk, attorney of Ralph f. Juliane la Webbe, of Pebmerssh, *v.* Wm. ydman and Agnes his wife, by Rich. de Borham.

William Hydman against the same, by Joseph Elyanor.

Agnes his wife, by John Gardiner.
Will. Smewyne *v.* Ad. Gardiner, by John Gardiner.
John Colles *v.* Wm. Lyndraper, by Thos. Passelewe.
John Ode, of Miland *v.* John le Lambherd, by Rich. Clerk.
John le Lambherd *v.* John Ode, by John Caperoun.

Wm. Lyndraper for not prosecuting Juliana Colles, in mercy 3*d.*

[Agnes le Delver mulcted for Assault.]

THE ENQUIRY by John le Glover, John Raven, etc., into the case between Richard and Agnes le Tanner and Wm. and Agnes le Delver, finds that Agnes le Delver is guilty of an assault on Alice le Tanner, who may recover damages 6*d.*

[Shop near St. Runwald's Church.]

Philip le Chapman and Joan, wid. of John f. Stephani Fullo, executors of the will of the said John, surrender to the Bailiffs in full hundred, a shop in the marketplace under the church of St. Runwald near the said Philip's shop, which he held from the Commonalty at a rent of 3*sh.* 8*d.*, and bequeathed by his will to the use of John Torold, whom the Bailiffs thereupon admitted.

[Burgess Expelled and Re-admitted.]

Wm. Smewyne, skinner, Burgess, having been found guilty of doing harm and injury to the Liberty and Customs of the Borough, contrary to his oath, in procuring a summons against Adam Gardiner, a fellow burgess, at Chelmsford, it was ordered that he be excluded henceforth from his rights as a Burgess. Afterwards, on the request of some friends, he was re-admitted and fined 10*sh.*, 9*sh.* of which was condoned.

Membrane 11 *verso.*

Still the Hundred, Monday after Decollation of St. John Baptist [5th Sept.].

Days were given to:—

John Caperoun, plaintiff, and Simon atte Nassh, Jas. le Sadeler, Elias Sarre, and Wm. Crabbe.

John Tybbe, plaintiff, and Geoffrey de Lexden.

Richard de Colne, plaintiff, and John Osekyn, of Lexden.

Distraints ordered on:—

John le Wollemonger and Juliana his wife *v.* Walter le Sadeler.
John Burrich *v.* Clement le Dyere.
Roger le Wollemongere *v.* Simon le Wollemongere.
Roger le Coverour *v.* Clement le Dyer.
John Lot *v.* Wm. de Mepeshale.
Richard Blyk, chaplain, *v.* John f. Rog. le Smyth.
John Burrich *v.* Walter Cokerel.
Wm. Lyndraper *v.* Clement le Dyer.
Ralph de Coleville *v.* Thos. de Eye.
Rob. Springold *v.* John de Bottingham.
John Brihtrich *v.* Rog. le Lache.
John Burrich *v.* John Bande.
Adam and Alan Spakeman *v.* Jas. de Bures.

Pleas

Tuesday after Feast of St. Giles [6th Sept.].

Richard atte Crosse, of Brihtlingeseye, appeared against John Batewyf, for trespass, and the latter not appearing, he and his pledges are in mercy, and he is to be distrained.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Nativity of Blessed Mary [12th Sept.].

Essoign.

John Batewyf *v.* Richard atte Crosse, of Brihtlingesseye, trespass, by Thos. Passelewe.

A day was given for John le Lambherd, plaintiff, and John Ode, of Miland, defendant.

A day was given for Adam Gardiner, plaintiff, and Wm. Smewyne, defendant.

John de Aston complains of Thos. de Leycestre and Custancia la Chaundeler, trespass. The latter, attached to defend, finds pledges, Roger le Smyth and Thos. Passelewe.

Thomas and Hawyse Pykeman complain of John de Aston and Hawyse his wife for trespass. Pledges for prosecution, John le Bowyer and T. Passelewe, and for the defence, John Belch and Thos. Passelewe.

Will. Hydman puts in his place Peter de Aston as his attorney *v.* Ralph f. Juliane la Webbe de Pebemerssh.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Exaltation of Holy Cross [19th Sept.].

Essoigns.

Robert le Clerk, attorney of Ralph f. Juliane la Webbe, *v.* Will. Hydman and Agnes his wife, by John Caperoun.
Wm. and Agnes Hydman, by attorney, Peter de Aston, appeared against the said Ralph. A day given.
Thos. de Leycestre *v.* John de Aston, by Thos. Passelewe.
Custancia la Chaundeler *v.* the same, by Joseph Elyanor.
Will. Smewyne *v.* Adam Gardiner, by John Gardiner.

A day given as before to John Caperoun, plaintiff, and Simon atte Nassh, James le Sadeler, Elias Sarre, and Wm. Crabbe, defendants, trespass.

A day given to John Tybbe, plaintiff, and Geoffrey de Lexden, defendant.

A day given to Richard de Colne, plaintiff, and John Osekyn, of Lexden, defendant, theft of two horses.

Richard le Skryveyn complains of Richard Quyk, of Merseye, the latter finding pledges, Thos. Deynes and H. Algod.

Sibil la Sheppester complains of Rich. Quyk, trespass.

Membrane 12.

Still the Hundred of Colchester, Monday after Feast of Exaltation of Holy Cross, 8th Edward III. [19th Sept.].

[Burgess Admitted.]

William Chamberleyn, of Merseye, was received into the Burgage, taking the oaths, paying a fine of 10*sh.*, and finding pledges, Ralph Knyht, Henry Algod, Robert atte Watere and John Torold.

Distraints ordered on :—

John le Wollemongere and Juliana his wife to reply to Walter le Sadeler, of Illeye, debt.

John Burrich	to reply	to	Clement le Dyer, debt.
Roger le Wollemonger	,,	,,	Simon le Wollemonger, trespass.
Roger le Coverour	,,	,,	Clement le Dyer, trespass.
John Lot	,,	,,	Wm. de Mepeshale, trespass.
Richard Blyk, chaplain,	,,	,,	John f. Roger le Smyth, trespass.
John Burrich	,,	,,	Walter Cokerel, debt.
Wm. Lyndraper	,,	,,	Clem. le Dyer, debt.
Ralph de Coleville	,,	,,	Thomas de Eye, debt.
Robert Springold	,,	,,	John de Bottingham, debt.
John Brihtrich	,,	,,	Roger le Lache, debt.
John Burrich	,,	,,	John Bande, of Ipswich, debt.
Adam and Alan Spakeman	,,	,,	James de Bures.

Pleas, Colchester

Tuesday after Exaltation of Holy Cross [20th Sept.].

Essoigns.

Richard Quyk *v.* Rich. Skryvein, trespass, by Thomas Deynes.
The same *v.* Sibil la Sheppestere, trespass, by Thos. Passelewe.

Margery Bene complains of Alice de Claketon, trespass. Pledges for prosecution, John Maydegod and J. Gardiner. Pledges for defence, Wm. Ilsent and John Gardiner.

Pleas, Colchester

Friday, the Morrow of St. Michael [30th Sept.].

[Alleged Assault in Moor Street.]

Alice de Claketon attached to reply to Margery Bene for trespass, viz., that the said Alice on Tuesday after Exaltation of Holy Cross [20th Sept.], in Morestrate, in Colchester suburb, struck and ill-treated the same Margery. Alice pleading not guilty, an enquiry is ordered.

Hugh le Taillour complains of Wm. Joye, trespass. Pledges for prosecution, John le Chapman and Thos. Passelewe. Pledges for defence, Joseph Elyanor and Thos. Passelewe.

Wm. de Brome complains of Rob. le Palmer, debt. Pledges for prosecution, Richard Scotard and J. Gardyner. The said Robert was distrained by a horse.

Robert Shereman complains of Martin le Webbe on plea of covenant. Pledges for prosecution, Martin le Taillour and J. Gardiner. The said Martin was attached to reply, and finds pledges, Ralph Fuller and J. Gardiner.

End of Roll IV.

Roll V.

Roll of Pleas OF THE BOROUGH OF COLCHESTER.

From Michaelmas 10th Edward III., for one year [1336-1337], in the time of JOHN FYNCH and JOHN CAPEROUN, Bailiffs.

Lawehundred of Colchester

MONDAY AFTER MICHAELMAS DAY, 10TH EDWARD III. [30TH SEPT., 1336].

Essoigns.

Saer le Lorymer *v.* Richard de Teye, debt, by Adam de Colne.
John le Portherd *v.* the same Richard, debt, by John Lucas.
Robert le Arwesmyth *v.* John le Webbe and Elena his wife, trespass, by John Lucas.
Cristina le Herdler *v.* John f. Walteri le Barbour and Juliana his wife, trespass, by Thomas Marketh.
Adam le Spycer *v.* Robert le Shether, trespass, by Thos. Passelewe.
John Andrew *v.* Richard Payn, seizure and detention of beasts, by Joseph Elyanore.
John Pyk *v.* Emma, wid. of John de Saling, trespass, by Richard Clericus.

Common Essoigns [de Communi].

Richard, Warden of St. Cross Hospital, by Joseph Elyanor.
Rob. de Badelee, by John Tybbe.
Prior of St. Botulph, by Wm. de Hadleye.
Wm. de la Marche, by Wm. Buk.
Matthew Wenlok, by Matthew f. Roberti.
Margery de Wenlond, by Ralph Ode.
John de Lansele, by Adam f. Stephani.
Thos. le Mareschal, by Wm. Gilemyn.
Richard de Bradewey, by John Taverner.
Abbot of St. Osyth, by Wm. Sayer.
Thomas Fraunceys, by Richard Clericus.
Rich. de Colne, by Adam de Leycestre.
Thos. f. Margar. de Langh', by John Lucas.
John Prinnyng, by John le Spadere.
Alice, widow of Warin f. Will., by Adam Waryn.

Day given to Emma, widow of John de Salyng, plaintiff, and Henry Osekyn and Alice his wife, defendants, trespass.

Day given to Josep Elyanor, plaintiff, and Wm. de la Mote, defendant, debt.

Wm. de la Mote appeared against Saer le Lorymer, debt. John Lucas, sub-bailiff, witnessed that the latter had nothing in his bailiwick to distrain him by. It is still ordered to distrain him.

Robert Shereman for his false complaint against John de Scotlard, trespass, in mercy 3*d.*

[HORSE VALUED AT 6*s.* 8*d.*]

Master Matthew Feypoo, of Haulee, was attached by a horse, valued at half a mark, to reply to William Boutevileyn, knt., for trespass; a further distraint ordered. The horse is in the custody of John Jordan, bailiff in the preceding year, and he seeks permission to retain it until, etc.

Distraint ordered on John Adam to reply to Matthew f. Roberti, trespass.

Still ordered to take Alan de la Neylond to reply to Joseph Elyanore, of Colchester, plea of accompt. Day given.

Still ordered to sequestrate the doors of the house of John Hakeney, where his goods are under lock and key, to reply to Ralph le Baker, plea of debt, against the next hundred.

Roger le Coverour and Agnes his wife were attached by a piece of woollen cloth, price 40*d.*, to reply to Ralph le Baker, trespass. Further distraint ordered.

[Leather insufficiently tanned.]

Adam atte Watere for having a small piece of leather insufficiently tanned, it was seized by the "Custos officii tanner" and forfeited, and he fined.

[Burgesses Admitted.]

Entered the burgage, taking the oaths and paying 10*sh.* fine.

Robert Keye, wollemonger - - *Pledges*: Ralph Ode, John Rokele, Matth. f. Roberti, John Waryn.

John de Esthey - - - - *Pledges*: John atte Halle, William Gille, Thos. le Smyth, John Hereward.

John Gernoun - - - - *Pledges*: Matth. f. Roberti, John Waryn, Wm. de Hadleye, Adam de Caldham.

Thomas Baker, of Hadleye, for licence to come to terms with Simon le Wollemonger, debt, in mercy 3*d.*

[Burgess Admitted.]

Entered the burgage, etc. Fine, 10*s.*

Thos. de Borham - - *Pledges*: John de Ratlesden, Matth. f. Roberti, John Betoun, John Lucas.

Wm. le Pottere, tanner, acknowledged that he is held to John Lyook, of Sandwich, sen., in £8, to pay the latter 20*sh.* at Easter, 20*sh.* at Michaelmas, and so yearly 40*sh.* till the whole be paid, in default of which, to be levied on his goods.

Membrane 1 *verso.*

PRESENTMENT OF THE JURORS on the articles of Lawehundred abovesaid, who say on their oath:—

[Beer-Sellers Fined.]

That the following sell beer contrary to the assise, viz., a gallon at 1½*d.* Therefore in mercy:—

Emma, wife of William de Hadleye, 3*d.*
John Fordham's wife, 12*d.*
Mariota de Bergholte, 6*d.*
Rich. le Barbour's wife, 3d.
John de Dedham's wife, 12*d.*
Ric. de Cosford's wife, 12*d.*, for selling beer at 2*d.* per gallon.
John Wyger's wife, 3*d.*
Thos. de Dedham's wife, 3*d.*
Ric. de Colne's wife, 3*d.*
John Solers's wife, 3*d.*
Joan Wynterflood, 3*d.*
John Nevard's wife, 3*d.*
Margery Litlemagge, 3*d.*
Margaret Queyk, 3*d.*
Richard Dollard's wife, 3*d.*
John Gernoun's wife, 3*d.*
Cristina Wolf, 3*d.*
John Bely's wife, 3*d.*
Wm. de Maldon's wife, 3*d.*

Brounadam's wife, 3*d*.
Agatha Shirlok, of Miland, 3*d*.
Richard Bradeway's wife, 3*d*.
Wm. Pakke's wife, 3*d*.
Margery Sarcok, 11*d*.
John atte Parke's wife, 3*d*.
John le Mareschal's wife, 3*d*.
Richard Dingariht, 3*d*.
Hy. Osekyn's wife 3*d*.
Richard Stobard's wife, 3*d*.
Robert Scot's wife, 3*d*.
Joan, wife of Martyn Cissor, 3*d*.
Joan Springold, 3*d*.
John Springold's wife, 3*d*.
Alice Porters, 3*d*.
John Whelwrihte's wife, 3*d*.
Richard Lanyn's wife, 3*d*.
John Algod's wife, 3*d*.
Ralph Fullo's wife, 3*d*.
John Gyloun's wife, 3*d*.
Rob. de Leyre's wife, 3*d*.
Alice Deyere, 3*d*.
John Stokfissh's wife, 3*d*.
John Roger's wife, 6*d*.
Edmund Chaloner's wife, 3*d*.
Wm. Gille's wife, 3*d*.
Nich. le Herde's wife, 3*d*.
Wm. le Cobeler's wife, 3*d*.
John de Esthey's wife, 6*d*.
Thos. Faber's wife, 3*d*.
Hy. Algood's wife, 6*d*.
Ric. Crocer's wife, 3*d*.
Ric. Parlebien's wife, 3*d*.
Rob. de Colne's wife, 3*d*.
Wm. Sperling's wife, 3*d*.
Rich. Sperling's wife, 3*d*.
Wife of John atte Cherche, shepherd, 3*d*.
Rob. Palat's wife, 3*d*.
Philip Mercator's wife, 3*d*.
Alan le Herde's wife, 3*d*.
Ric. Pig's wife, 3*d*.
Wm. Gilemyn's wife, 3*d*.
Rob. Edward's wife, 6*d*.
Ralph Knyht's wife, 6*d*.
Wm. le Deyer's wife, 6*d*.
Isabel Edward, 3*d*.
Wife of Henry Josyas, 3*d*.
Adam le Spycer's wife 3*d*.
John Beneyt's wife, 3*d*.
Agnes Spycchale, 6*d*.
Ralph Heued's wife, 3*d*.
Agnes Gerard, 3*d*.
Nich. Springold's wife, 3*d*.
Margery Nicoles, 3*d*.
Widow of Wm. Smewyne, 3*d*.
Thos. ate Gate's wife, 3*d*.
Joan Maydegod, 3*d*.
Elicia Costyn, 3*d*.
Ralph Baldewyn's wife, 3*d*.
Philip Cissor's wife, 3*d*.
Adam Sowehaler's wife, 3*d*.
John Ryge's wife, 3*d*.
Emma de Botte, 3*d*.
John Ferrour's wife, 3*d*.
John atte Halle's wife 3*d*.
Wm. ate Hedych's wife, 3*d*.
Alice Haukynes, 3*d*.
Joan Teles, 3*d*.
Adam Luy's wife 3*d*.
Cristina, w. of John Kyngh, 3*d*.
Katherine, called Blyndekate, 3*d*.
Wm. Hydman's wife, 3*d*.
John Swarthar's wife, 3*d*.
Joan Pecok, 3*d*.
Richard Payn's wife, 3*d*.
John Rady's wife, 3*d*.

Membrane 1 *verso*.

[Forestallers.]

They also present the following to be forestallers in poultry, dairy and fish in the market and elsewhere, selling before the time ordered by the Commonalty; therefore in mercy.

Isabella Melner, 3*d*.
John Thurgon's wife, 3*d*.
Avelina Smythes, 3*d*.
John f. Rogeri Somenour, 6*d*.
Ida Hotfoot, 3*d*.
Roger le Somenour, 3*d*.
John f. Walteri Barbour, 3*d*.
Nich. Smart's wife, 3*d*.
Isabel Belles, 3*d*.
Wm. Ilsent, 3*d*.

[Usurping Common Lands.]

The following pastured their cattle on common lands having no right to common; in mercy.
John Sayer, of Donyland, with 100 sheep, pigs and bullocks, 6*d*.
John Richold, with 40 sheep, 6*d*.
John atte Cherche, of Lexden, with 100 sheep, he not being a burgess, 2*sh*.
Roger Leuegoz, with 60 sheep, not being a burgess, 12*d*.
Robert Gilemyn, with 40 sheep, 3*d*.
[*sic*] bought sheep skins and calf skins green and is not a burgess.
John atte Crosse did the same, in mercy, 3*d*.
John Frend did the same, in mercy, 3*d*.

[Millers Fined.]

That the following took double toll of corn with measures not sealed, therefore in mercy.
Roger Belch, farmer of the Northmelne, 12*d*.
John atte Halle and Richard Pig, farmers of Middelmelne, 12*d*.
John Stokfyssh, farmer of Estmelne, 12*d*.
Wm. de Maldon, farmer of the New mill, 6*d*.
John Wyger, farmer of Bournemelne, 6*d*.
Geoffrey de Lexden, miller, 6d.

[A Common Brawler.]

That Felicia, wife of Adam le Spycer, raised hue unjustly on Alexander atte Watere, in Colchester market place, that she is a common brawler and disturbed the King's peace, as are Avelina Smythes, Alice Callemaker, Cristina le Herdler, and Emma, widow of John de Salingg.

[Irregular Sale of Meat.]

That Wm. le Cook and John Hereward are accustomed to share carcases of oxen, and sell at different stalls so that the meat is sold to the people as if one of them sold the meat entire, to the loss of the people and against the order of the Commonalty, in mercy, 2*sh*.

Henry Osekyn, John Aventurus, John le Lache and William Porsoun do the same, in mercy.

[Assault in Wire Street.]

That Elena, wife of John Jacob, weaver, raised hue justly on Robert Larwesmyth in Wyrstrate, for striking her.

Roger le Deyere raised hue justly on Wm. Bakke, in Eststrate.

[Flooding the Road at Greenstead.].

That Wm. Gille has stopped up his ditch within Glover's land in Grenested, where the water falling on the King's way was used to have its due course, whereby the said street is flooded and hollowed to the nuisance of the passers by.

[Ditch neglected at Mile End.]

That Ric. de Colne does not sufficiently scour his ditch round Churchefeld in Miland.

[Digging Sand near St. Helen's Chapel.]

That Wm. atte Parke digs sand in the King's road at Casteldych, where St Helen's chapel is.

[Encroachment in Clay Street, Lexden.]

That Robert atte Bregge, of Lexden, has encroached on the King's way in Claystrate, whereby the said street is made narrow to the nuisance, etc.

[Selling Meat to Foreigners outside the Borough.]

That Walter atte Walle, Butcher, brings meat to market for sale, and sells a part, and the parts not sold he takes outside the Borough for sale to foreigners, against the ancient custom of Colchester, in mercy.

[Abbot fails to make his Suit.]

The Abbot of St. John's, Colchester, because he came not to make his suit, at the said Law Hundred, for 5 acres of land, in Holefeld, formerly the lands of Tutproud, which the Almoner of the same holds, in mercy.

Membrane 2.

Pleas

Saturday after Feast of St. Michael, 10th Edward III. [5th Oct.].

Essoigns.

Henry le Barbour *v.* John Wyger, trespass, by Philip Rokele.
John le Netmaker *v.* Robert Palat, debt, by John de Bottingham.

Pleas

Feast of St. Osyth [same year] [Monday, 7th Oct.].

Essoign.

Henry le Barbour *v.* John Wyger, trespass, by John Lucas.

Robert Palat, because he did not prosecute John le Netmaker, debt, in mercy.

Joan Cluck complains of Stacy le Taillour, and Christina his wife, trespass, and of Ric. Skriveyn, trespass, pledges her word, being poor.

Pleas

Thursday after Feast of St. Denis [same year] [Wednesday, 9th Oct.].

Essoigns.

Stacy le Taillour *v.* Joan Cluck, trespass, by John de Bottingham.
Christina, wife of the same Stacy *v.* the same, by the same.
Richard le Skriveyn *v.* the same Joan, trespass, by Richard Clerk.
Sibilla le Sheppester *v.* the same, by Richard Turk.

Pleas, Colchester

Friday after Feast of St. Denis [11th Oct.]

Essoigns.

[The same four as above.]

William Hory complains of John Algood for debt, pledge, Edmund Skinner.

John le Barbour, of Ipswich, attached to reply to Walter de Illeye, on plea of debt of 4*sh.*, arrears of rent of house and shop let to him. Defence not given.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. Denis [11th Oct.].

Essoigns.

Robert le Arwesmyth *v.* John le Webbe, and Elena his wife, trespass, by J. de Bottingham.
John le Barbour, of Ipswich *v.* Walter de Illeye, debt, by Wm. de Leycestre.
Saer le Lorymer *v.* Will de la Mote, debt, by John Lucas.
The same *v.* Ric. de Tye, by Rob. Clericus.
John le Portherd *v.* the same, by the same.
John Algod *v.* Wm. Hory, debt, by the same,
Saer le Lorymer *v.* Adam Waryn, debt, by Philip Rokele.
John Andrew *v.* Richard Payn, detention of goods, by Joseph Clerk.

[Buying Fresh Herring before the time of Prime.]

Joan, wife of John Musse, for buying fresh herring before the time of prime, forfeited, and pays fine; John Waltere, for same.

Robert de Arwesmyth, for licence to come to terms with John Jacob, weaver, and Elena, his wife, trespass.

A day given to Emma, widow of John de Salingg, plaintiff, and Hy. and Alice Osekyn.

Days given to:—

John le Rene, plaintiff, and Margery Sayer, debt.
John Elyanore, plaintiff, and Wm. de la Mote, debt.
John Wyger, plaintiff, and Hy. le Barbour, trespass.

[Horse valued at 6s. 8d.]

Master Matthew Feypo, of Haulee, attached by a horse, price ½ a mark, in John Jordan's custody, to reply to Wm. Boutevileyn, Knt., further distraint ordered.

Ordered to distrain John Adam to reply to Matthew f. Roberti, trespass. Ordered to take Alan de la Neylond to reply to Joseph Elyanore, of Colchester, plea of accompt.

Still ordered to sequestrate the doors of John Hakeney's house, where his goods are under lock and key, to reply to Ralph le Baker.

Roger le Coverour and Agnes his wife to reply to Ralph le Baker, as before.

Rob. le Spether for his false complaint against Adam le Spycer, in mercy.

[Woman charged with Breaking into a Shop.]

Cristina la Herdler, charged by John f. Walteri Barbour, and Juliana, his wife, with breaking into her shop in Colchester market place, and upsetting their geese and other victuals on the

"poya" of the shop, breaking their vessels and carrying off a "chariour," value 3*d.*, and doing damage to value of 20*sh.* Cristina pleading not guilty, an enquiry is ordered.

William Capellanus, for fine for trespass, 6*d.*

[Leather-Seller Fined.]

Nicholas Gulle attached to reply to the Bailiff, for buying leather against the custom of Colchester, being a foreigner, confessing the same, in mercy, and paid fine 12*d.*

[St. Helen's Chapel Buildings Leased]

The Bailiff and Commonalty leased to Ralph de Teye, chaplain, the buildings, etc., of the old chapel of St. Elena, to hold for a year, at a rent of 2*sh.*

Membrane 2 verso.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday, Feast of SS. Simon and Jude [28th Oct.].

Essoigns.

John Algood *v.* William Hory, debt, by Adam le Glover.
Saer le Lorymer *v.* Wm. de le Mote, debt, by J. Lucas.
Saer le Lorymer *v.* Ric. de Teye, debt, by J. de Bottingham.
Saer le Lorymer *v.* Adam Waryn, debt, by Roger Hotfoot.
John le Portherd *v.* Richard de Teye, debt, Thos. Passelewe.
John le Barbour, of Ipswich, *v.* Walter de Illeye, debt, by William te Leycestre.

Richard Payn seeks licence to reply concerning his complaint against John Andrew, trepass, and has it.

Similarly Emma, widow of John de Salingg, against Henry and Alice Osekyn.

Days given to:—

John le Reue, plaintiff, and Margery Sayer, defendant.
John Wyger, plaintiff, and Hen. le Barbour, defendant.
Ralph le Baker, and John Hakeny, defendant.

Roger le Coverour and Agnes, his wife, for licence to come to terms with Ralph le Baker, trespass, in mercy.

Master Matthew Feypo, of Haulee, attached by a horse in custody of Roger Belch, bailiff, to reply to Wm. Boutevilain, Knt, as before.

Ordered to distrain John Adam to reply to Matthew f. Roberti, trespass.

Ordered to take Alan de la Neylond to reply to Joseph Elyanore, of Colchester, plea of accompt.

Simon Parker, chaplain, attached by a piece of woollen cloth of blanket, to reply to Wm. le Cook, butcher, further distraint ordered.

[Burgess Admitted.]

John le Kyng entered the Burgage taking the oaths, and paying the fine of 10*sh.*, and finding pledges, Ralph Ode, Joseph Elyanore, Matthew f. Roberti and Richard le Barbour.

John de Kent, for licence to come to terms with John Gilour, jun., debt, in mercy, 3*d.*

[Damage One Halfpenny.]

The case of John f. Walt. le Barbour and Juliana his wife against Cristina Herdler came before Wm. Gilemyn, Walter de Illeye and others, who find Cristina guilty of breaking a dish with victuals in, and assess the damage at a halfpenny. On the further charge of carrying off a "chargeour" she is acquitted.

[Twelve Women Charged as Common Brawlers.]

Felicia, wife of Adam le Spycer, Alice la Callemaker, Avelina Smythes, Cristina la Herdler, Emma, widow of John de Saling, Matilda, wife of Edw. le Taillour, Juliana her daughter, Juliana, wife of Roger le Coupere, Joan Scot, Isabella Melner, Alice Maresch, and Agnes de Molesham, all plead not guilty to the charge of being common brawlers and disturbers of the peace, the first named only finding bail, Wm. Gilemyn, John atte Hyd, to appear at the next hundred; enquiries ordered.

Fresh Herring sold before Time.]

The following paid fines for buying fresh herring before appointed time:—

Isabella Castelyn, Isabella Belles, John Thurgon's wife, John Kyng, Avelina Smythes, John s. of Walter Barbour.

Thomas Dyke and Emma his wife complain of Henry Osekyn and Alice his wife, trespass; pledge to prosecute, W. de Hadley. Pledges to defend Edm. Boucher and T. Passelewe.

Joseph Elyanor complains of Philip Parlebien, debt. Plaintiff's pledge, T. Pass..... defendant's pledges, Ralph Ode and J. Lucas.

Robert Shereman complains of John atte Shawe, debt. Pledge, Ric. Dingariht.

Alice le Shipman complains of Ralph Baldewyne and Philippa his wife, debt. Plaintiff's pledge, J. Besouth. Defendant's pledges. Wil. de Broune and J. Bottingham.

Simon Lotoun complains of Richard de la Rokele, on plea of trespass.

Adam le Spycer complains of John Reue, trespass. Plaintiff's pledges, John Solers and T. Pass..... Defendant's pledges, Adam le Forbour and T. Pass.....

Hundred, Colchester

Feast of St. Martin [same year] [Monday, 11th Nov.].

Essoigns.

John le Barbour, of Ipswich *v.* Walter de Illeye, debt, wherefore law, by Wm. de Leycestre.
Hy. Osekyn *v.* Thos. Dyke and Emma his wife, by John Aveunterous.
John le Reue *v.* Adam le Spycer, by John Ferthing.
Ralph Baldwyne *v.* Alice la Shipman, debt, by Reginald le Sadeler.
John Parlebien *v.* Joseph Elyanore, debt, by John le Malter.
Alice, w. of Hy. Osekyn *v.* Thomas Dyke and Emma his wife, trespass, by Ralph Ode.
John Algood *v.* Wm. Hory, debt, by Adam le Glover.
Philippa, w. of Ralph Baldwyne *v.* Alice Shipman, debt, by Richard Clericus.

Wm. de Langelee, for licence to come to terms with Ralph le Baker, debt, in mercy.

Saer le Lorymer and John le Portherd, for licence to come to terms with Richard de Teye, in mercy.

[Butcher Charged.]

John Shussh, butcher, for carrying the carcass of an ox to market for leather, forfeited.

Membrane 3.

Still the Hundred, Feast of St. Martin, 10th Edward III. [11th Nov.].

Days given to:—

John le Rous, plaintiff, and Margery Sayer, defendant, debt.
John Wyger, plaintiff, and Henry le Barbour, trespass.
Ralph le Baker, plaintiff, and John Hakeney, debt.

William de la Mote appeared against Saer le Lorymer, debt; the latter not appearing, distraint is ordered.

Adam Waryn appeared against Saer le Lorymer, debt, ordered to be distrained as above.

Master Matthew Feypo, of Haulee, *v.* William Boutevileyn, Knt., continued.

Distraint ordered on John Adam to reply to Matthew f. Roberti.

" Alan de Neylond to reply to Joseph Elyanor.

The case Simon Parker *v.* Wm. le Cook, butcher, continued.

[Burgess Admitted.]

John f. Joh. Stephene of Bentley entered the burgage, etc. Fine, 10*sh.* Pledges, Wm. de Hadleye, Alex. Archer, Bartholomew Gerard, John de Bottingham.

[Lease of Unoccupied Spaces near North Gate and South Gate.]

The Bailiffs and Commonalty lease to Joseph Springold an unoccupied place within the walls near the place of Richard, Clerk of St. Peter's, near the North Gate, 30ft. by 15ft., to hold in perpetuity at 2*d.* yearly rent.

The Bailiffs, etc., lease to Ralph Sweyn an unoccupied place within the South Gate, 10ft. by 10ft. Rent 2*d.*

John Rumbold complains of John le Pottere, baker, trespass. Pledge, Thomas de Borham. Defendant's pledge, Edmund Carnifex.

John Elyanore complains of Hugh Trewe, trespass. Pledge to prosecute, Matthew f. Roberti.

Saer le Lorymer, distrained to reply to Adam Wareyn and Wm. de la Mote, finds pledges, Adam de Colne, John atte Hyde.

Hundred, Colchester

Feast of St Katharine same year [Monday, 25th November].

Essoigns.

Henry Osekyn *v.* Thomas Dyke and Emma his wife, trespass, by Ralph Ode.
Alice, his wife, *v.* the same, by John Auntrous.
John le Reue *v.* Adam le Spycer, by John Ferthyng.
Nich. le Deyer *v.* John Burrich, by Simon Baynard.
Ralph Baldewyne *v.* Alice le Shipman, by Reginald Sadeler.
Joan, his wife, v. the same, by John de Bottingham.
John le Pottere, baker, *v.* Joan Rumbold, by Wm. Tagel.

John le Barbour, of Ipswich, for licence to come to terms with Walter de Illeye, in mercy.

Wm. de la Mote *v.* Saer le Lorymer. The latter with his pledges in mercy. Further distraint ordered.

William Hory appears against John Algood, who did not appear. Distraint ordered.

Days given to:—

John le Reue, plaintiff, and Margery Sayer, defendant, debt.
John Wyger *v.* Hy. le Barbour, trespass.
Ralph le Baker, *v.* John Hakeney, debt.

Master Matthew Feypo, of Haulee, to be further distrained to reply to Wm. Boutevyleyn, Knt., trespass.

Distraint ordered on John Adam to reply to Matthew f. Roberti, trespass.

Ordered to take Alan de la Neylond to reply to Joseph Elyanor.

Samuel Parker to be further distrained to reply to Wm. le Cook.

Saer le Lorymer ordered by great distraint to reply to Alan Waryn and Wm. de Mote, finds pledges, Adam de Colne, John atte Hyde, John le Portherd, and John Torold.

Hy. le Cook complains of Wm. Lyndraper, trespass. Pledges to prosecute, Wm. Giloun, J. Somer. Defendant's pledges, Alex. atte Watere, T. Passelewe.

Thos. le Mareschal complains of Roger Symund, debt. Pledge, Wm. de Cogge, saddler. Roger's pledges, John Belch, Wm. Taillour.

Wm. de Brome complains of John Torold, debt. Pledge, Thos. Besouth.

Richard de la Rokele distrained by 4 quarters of oats, in the hand of Wm. Packe, to reply to Simon Latimer, has a day.

Membrane 3 *verso.*

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. Nicholas, 10th Edward III. [9th Dec.].

Essoigns.

John Algood *v.* Ric. Perold, debt, by Wm. de Leycestre.
Hy. Osekyn *v.* Thos. Dyke and Emma, his wife, by Thos. Passelewe.
Alice, his wife, *v.* the same, by Ralph Ode.
Simon Parker, chaplain, *v.* Wm. le Cook, butcher, by John Chapman.
John atte Shawe *v.* Rob. Shereman, debt, by John de Scotlond.
John Foord *v.* Wm. de Brome, by Wm. Gilemyn.
Wm. Lyndraper *v.* Hy. le Cook, by John Ferthyng.
Nich. le Deyere *v.* John Burich, by John f. Nich.
John le Potteie, baker *v.* Joan Rumbold, by John f. Ricardi.

John le Reue for not prosecuting Margery Sayce, for debt, in mercy.
Robert Shereman ,, John atte Shaw, for debt, in mercy.
Day given Alice la Shipman, plaintiff, and Ralph Baldewyne, defendant.
Hen. le Cook for not prosecuting Wm. Lyndraper, in mercy.
A day given, Wm. de la Mote and Saer le Lorymer, debt.
A day given, Adam Waryn and Saer le Lorymer, debt.
Adam le Spycer for not prosecuting John le Reue, trespass, in mercy.
Day given to:—
Wm. Hory, plaintiff, and John Algood, defendant, debt.
Joseph Elyanore, plaintiff, and Hugh Trewe, defendant, trespass.
John Wyger, plaintiff, and Hy. le Barbour, defendant, trespass.
Ralph le Baker, plaintiff, and John Hakeney, defendant.
Master Matthew Feypo and Wm. Boutevileyn, Knt., trespass.
Distraint ordered on John Adam, to reply to Matthew f. Roberti.
Richard de la Rokele to be attached to reply to Simon Lotoun.
Ordered to take Alan de la Neylond to reply to Jos. Elyanor.
Nicholas le Masoun complains of Wm. Chercheman. Pledge, Richard Edward.
John de Deyere complains of Adam Aylmer.
Robt. Shereman ,, John atte Shawe.
Hen. le Cook ,, Wm. Lyndraper. Pledge, Wm. Giloun.
John Torold ,, Rob. le Shether. Pledge, Saer Lorymer, defendant's pledge being Richard Edward.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. Thomas, same year [23rd Dec.].

Essoigns.

John Brown *v.* Saer le Lorymer, trespass, by John Bassett.
John Algood *v.* Ric. Perold, debt, by John de Bottingham.
Roger Symund *v* Thos. le Mareschal, debt, by the same.
Simon Parker, chaplain, *v.* Wm. le Cook, butcher, by John le Chapman.
John Torold *v.* Wm. de Brome, by Simon Lotoun.
Wm. Lyndraper, v. Hy. le Cook, by John Ferthyng.
John le Pottere, baker, *v.* Joan Rumbold, by John de Bergholt.

John Algood for licence to come to terms with Wm. Hory, in mercy.
Days given to:—
Thos. Dyke and Emma, his wife, plaintiffs, and Hy. Osekyn and Alice his wife.
John Burrich, plaintiff, and Nicholas le Dyer, defendant.
Alice la Chapman, plaintiff, and Ralph Baldewyne and Philippa, his wife.
Wm. de la Mote, plaintiff, and Saer le Lorymer.
Adam Waryn, plaintiff, and Saer le Lorymer.
John Wyger, plaintiff, and Hy. le Barbour.
Ralph le Baker, plaintiff, and John Hakeney.
Mag. Matthew Feypo and Wm. Boutevileyn, Knt.
Distraint ordered on John Adam to reply to Matthew f. Roberti.
John Vanneman, attached by 3*s.* 6*d.*, to reply to Saer le Lorymer.
Ordered to take Alan de la Neylond to reply to Joseph Elyanor.

Membrane 4.

Bakers Fined for Short Weight.

Baker's bread taken and weighed Wednesday after Feast of St. Thomas, Apostle, 10th Edward III. [25th Dec.].

Wm. Bacon in halfpenny wheat loaf, short 3*s.*		Fined 6*d.*	
John atte Halle	,,		,,
Wm. Pegon	,,	12*d.*	Fined 3*d.*
Alice Parlebien	,,	12*d.*	,,
John Wyger in farthing simnel, short 16*d.*		Fined 6*d.*	

Hundred

Monday, Feast of Epiphany, 10th Edward III. [6th Jan., 1337].

Essoigns.

John Algood *v.* Ric. Perold, debt, by John de Bottingham.
Simon Parker, chaplain, *v.* Wm. le Cook, butcher, debt, by John le Chapman.
Wm. Lyndraper *v.* Hy. le Cook, trespass, by Alex. atte Watere.
Roger Symund *v.* Thos. le Mareschall.

John Torold for licence to come to terms with Wm. de Brome, debt, in mercy.
Saer le Lorymer for licence to come to terms with Adam Waryn, debt, in mercy.
Hy. Osekyn and Alice, his wife, pleading not guilty to a charge of assault, brought by Thomas Dyke and Emma, his wife, at their house at Colchester towards Northssherd, an enquiry is ordered.

A day given to :—
Alice Shipman, plaintiff, and Ralph Baldewyne and Philippa, his wife, defendants, debt.
Wm. de la Mote, plaintiff, and Saer le Lorymer, defendant for debt.

[Alleged Assault in North Street.]

John le Pottere pleading not guilty to a charge of assault with a stick called "Watertreche," in North Street, brought by Joan Rumbold, an enquiry is ordered.

Days given to:—
John Wyger, plaintiff, *v.* Hy. le Barbur, defendant, trespass.
Ralph le Baker, plaintiff, *v.* John Hakeney, debt.
The case, Master Matthew Feypo *v.* Wm. Boutevileyn, Knt., continued.
Distraint ordered on :—
John Adam to reply to Matthew f. Roberti.
John Vanneman, to reply to Saer le Lorymer.
Ordered to take Alan de la Neylond to reply to Joseph Elyanor.

[Serious Assault in Head Street.]

John Solers pleaded not guilty to charge of assault on Roger Edward in Heved Street with a sword "gesarium" and knife. The Jury, viz., Richard Dolbard, John le Elwer, and others, find him guilty, and assess the damages at 20*sh.*

John Turnepeny complains of John le Hayremaker, trespass.
Wm. de Brome complains of Saer le Lorymer, debt. Pledge, Warin atte Welle.

Law Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. Hilary same year [20th Jan.].

Essoigns.

Wm. Lyndraper *v.* Hy. le Cook, by John Ferthyng.
John atte Shawe *v.* Rob. Shereman, debt, by John Lucas.
Hy. Osekyn v. Thos. and Emma Dyke, by Matth. f. Roberti.
Alice, his wife, *v.* the same, by Richard Clericus.
John Pottere, baker, *v.* Joan Rumbold, by Joseph Elyanor.
Ralph Ode, concerning common, by Simon Pakeman.
Wm. de la March ,, by Wm. de Hadleye.
James de Bures ,, by Thos. Passelewe.
Wm. atte Well ,, by John Roger.
John de Berghlte ,, by Alex. atte Watere.
Ric. de Colne ,, by Joseph Elyanor.
Joan Springold ,, by Rog. le Dyer.
John de Lansele ,, by Jo. de Bottingham.
Margery Sarcok ,, by Wm. de Hadleye.
Roger Alfred ,, by Joseph Elyanor.
Ric. de Aldholte ,, by J. de Bottingham.
Ric. Bradewey ,, by Wm. Herry.

Ralph Baldewyne and Philippa, his wife, *v* Alice la Shipman, debt, in mercy 3*d.*
Days given to :—
Wm. le Cook, butcher, plaintiff, and Simon Parker, chaplain, defendant.
Wm. de la Mote, plaintiff, and Saer le Lorymer, defendant.
Ralph le Baker, plaintiff, and John Hakeney, defendant.
Ordered to distrain John Adam to reply to Matthew fil Roberti, trespass.

Membrane 4 verso.

Further distraints, etc., ordered on M. Feypo, W. Chercheman, J. Vanneman, and A. de la Neylond.

Henry le Barbour attached to reply to John Wyger on charge of trespass, viz.: that the former hired his horse to ride to Storteford and return it safe and sound, but that he so ill-used it that it died, for which loss he claims 20*sh.* Pleads not guilty. Inquiry ordered.

[Will of William Gilemyn].

Probate of the Will of Wm. Gilemyn, of Colchester, by J. de Bottingham and Henry Ladde, sworn and examined, whereby he bequeathed his tenement in Stokwelle Strete and his rents in Heth Strete, which he bought of Wm. Savage, lying between the tenement of the late Margery Lyhtwyne and of Roger Alfred, to be sold, etc. Executors as above. Date of will, Sunday after Feast of the Circumcision 1336(7) [5th Jan.]. Objections, if any, to be taken on Monday after Feast of Purification of Blessed Virgin Mary [14th Feb.].

PRESENTMENT OF JURORS on the articles of Lawehundred, viz.:—

[Beer-Sellers Fined.]

That the following sell beer against the assize, viz, at 1½*d.*, and are in mercy. Fined in sums of 3*d.* or 6*d.*

John atte Hyde's wife
*John de Fordham's wife
*Wm. Lok's wife
*Thos. Fraunceys's wife
Richard le Barbour's wife
*John le Dedham's wife
*Ric. de Cofford's wife
*John Wyger's wife
*Thos. de Dedham's wife
*John le Whelewriht's wife
*Ric. de Colne's wife
*John Solers's wife
*Joan Wynterflod
*John Nevard's wife
*Margery Lytlemagge
Margery Queyk
*John Gernoun's wife
*Ric. Dollard's wife
*Cristina Wolf
*Wm. de Maldon's wife
*Ric. Bradewey's wife
*Wm. Packe's wife
*Margery Sarcok
*Walter de Illeye's wife
*John atte Park's wife
*John le Mareschal's wife
*Ric. Dingariht's wife
*Hy. Osekyn's wife
*Ric. Scotard's wife
*Rob. Scot's wife
Rosia living "in tenemento Testepyn"
Martin Cissor's widow
*Joan Springold
*Alice Porters
*Ric. Lauyn's wife
*John Sterre's wife
*John Algood's wife
Ralph Fullo's wife
*John Gilouu's wife
*Rob. de Leyre's wife
*Alice Dyeres
*John Stokfissh's wife
Nich. de Fayrsted's wife
*John Rogger's wife
*Edm. le Chaloner's wife
*Wm. Gille's wife
*Nich. le Herde's wife
*Wm. Cobeler's wife
*Tho. Faber's wife
*Hen. Algood's wife
*Wife of John Pottere, baker
John de Adburton's wife
*Ric. Parlebien's wife
*Rob. de Colne's wife
*Wm. Sperling's wife
*Ric. Sperling's wife
*Wife of John atte Cherche, bercarius
*Ric. Pig's wife

Note.—All those marked * appear again on Membrane 7.

*Rob. Palat's wife
*Philip Mercator's wife
*Alan le Herde's wife
*Ralph Knight's wife
*Wm. Deyer's wife
*Rob. Edward's wife
*Henry Josyas' wife
*John Beneyt's wife
*Agatha Shirlok of Miland
*Agnes Spicehale
*Ralph Heued's wife
*Agnes Gerard
*Thos. Sprot's wife
*Nich. Springold's wife
*Margery Nicholes
Wm. Smewyne's wife
*Thos. atte Gate's wife
*Joan Maydegod
*Elicia Costyn
*Ralph Baldewyne's wife
*Adam Sowehaler's wife
*John Kyge's wife
*John atte Halle's wife
*Wm. atte Hedych's wife
*Elena Cardester
*John Ferrour's wife
*Emma de Bott(ringham)
*Thos. Besouth's servant
*Alice Webbes
*Alice Hankynes
*Joan Thole
John Kelye's wife
*Adam Luy's wife
*J. Kyng's wife
*Ric. Belch's wife
*Blynde Kate
*Wm. Hyndman's wife
*John Swarthar's wife
John Rady's wife
*John Stevene's wife
*Philippa Pecok
*Ric. Payn's wife

[Forestallers].

The following were fined for forestalling:—

*Isabella la Melner
*John Thurgon's wife
*Avelina Smythes
*John f. Rogeri Somenour
*Ida Hotfot
*Wm. Ilsent
*Roger le Somenour
John f. Walt. le Barbour
*Nich. Smart's wife
Isabella Stiles

[Unauthorised Pasturing on Common Pasture.]

The following were fined for pasturing their sheep, etc., on the common pastures, not being Burgesses:—

John atte Cherche, de Lexden.
John Faber, de Lexden.
Roger Leuegoz.

Membrane 5.

Still the Lawhundred, Monday after Feast of St. Hilary [20th Jan.].

Roger Edward raised hue justly on John Solers in the market place.

Agnes le Norice raised hue justly on John Symund, jun., at Hethe.

[Blind Kate.]

Blynd Kate raised hue unjustly on Thos. Pennesone, at Hethe.

John le Heyremaker drew blood from Margery, wife of John Turnepany, in Hethstrate, the said Margery raising hue justly.

Note.—Those marked * appear again on Membrane 7.

[Clay Street, Lexden.]

Roger atte Bregge, of Lexden, encroached on the King's way in Claystrate in two places; in mercy, and ordered to pull down the fence with which he had enclosed the land.

[St. Helen's Well.]

John de Cogger, fuller, committed the same offence, opposite St. Helen's well, in mercy, and ordered as above.

John Somer fined for diverting a watercourse into the King's way at Northsherd to the nuisance, etc.

[Prior of St. Botolph Presented.]

The Prior of St. Botolph for not scouring his ditch near Robert Gilemyn's tenement, in mercy.

Wm. Lyndraper raised hue unjustly on T. Passelewe, serjeaunt, for distraining on him.

Fined for not doing suit:—

Rob. de Badela, for tenement in North Street.
John Prennyng, ,, ,,
Margaret, daughter and heir of Elias f. Joh: de Colchester.
Alan de la Neylond for tenement in Culver lane.
John f. Joh. de Wodhull.
Thos. f. Margaret de Langham, for fine of suit, 6*d*.

[Unsealed Measures at the Mills.]

The following presented for taking double toll of corn and with unsealed measures, etc:—

Wm. de Knapton, lord of Northmeln.
John atte Halle and Rich. Pig, farmers of Middelmeln.
John Stokfissch, farmer of Estmeln.
John Wyger, farmer of Bournemeln.
Wm. de Maldon, farmer of New Priory Mill.
Geoffrey de Lexden, miller.

[Digging Sand in the Highway.]

Presented for digging sand in the King's way at Holemere, but pardoned:—

John de Lansele.
Philippa, wife of Jordan, by her carter.
Ralph Ode, by his servant.
Richard le Barber, by his carter.

Fined for not coming to the Lawehundred when summoned:—

Wm. atte Park (pardoned)
Adam f. Stephani
Adam atte Watere
John atte Halle (pardoned)
Simon Kyng
Geoffrey le Deyer
Robert de Leyre (pardoned)

Geoffrey Dunnyng complained of Rob. de Peldon, debt.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Purification of Blessed Virgin Mary [3rd Feb.].

Essoigns.

Henry Osekyn *v.* Tho. Dyke, by Ralph Ode.
Alice, his wife, *v.* the same, by the same.
Hy. le Barbour *v.* John Wyger, by Rob. Clericus.
John atte Shawe *v.* Rob. Shereman, by Ric. Clericus.
Rob. de Peldon *v.* Geoffrey Donnyng, by John de Bottingham.

John le Pottere for licence to come to terms with Joan Rumbold, in mercy, 3*d*.
Simon le Parker, chaplain ,, Wm. le Cook. ,,
John Burrich ,, Nich. le Deyer. ,,

John le Heyremaker pleading not guilty to a charge of assault on John and Margaret Turnepany with a tankard. A jury is ordered, etc.

The same in the case of Wm. Lyndraper, charged with an assault on Henry and Agnes le Cook in Stokwell Strete.

[House near South Sherd.]

Henry Sprit . . . . in full hundred in presence of the Bailiff, surrendered a house with appurtenances in Colchester near La Southssherd, opposite the tenement of the late Wm. Trompour, to the use of John Waryn, whereupon the latter leased the same to the said Henry.

Membrane 5 *verso.*

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. Valentine, 11th Edward III. [17th Feb.].

Essoigns.

Wm. Lyndraper *v.* Hen. le Cook and Agnes his wife, by J. Ferthing.
The same Henry and Agnes *v.* the same William, by John Huchouns.
John atte Shawe *v.* Rob. Shereman, by John Lucas.
Hen. Osekyn *v.* Tho. Dyke and Emma his wife, by Wm. Roger.
Rob. de Peldon *v.* Geoffrey Donnyng, by Wm. Sayer.

John le Heyremaker for licence to come to terms with John and Margery Turnepany, in mercy.

Hy. le Barbour for the same with John Wyger, in mercy.

Wm. de la Mote for not prosecuting Saer le Lorymer, in mercy.

Day given to Wm. de Brome, plaintiff, and Saer le Lorymer, defendant.

Ralph le Baker appeared against John Hakeny for debt. The latter not appearing, he and his pledges in mercy, great distraint ordered.

Distraint ordered on John Adam to reply to Matthew f. Roberti (and at next courts).

Master Matth. Feypo *v.* Wm. Boutevileyn, Knt., continued (and at next courts).

Wm. Chercheman attached by glass [vitrum], price 5*sh.*, in the hand of Wm. le Glaswrihte to reply to Nich. le Mascoun, debt, a day given (and at next courts).

Ordered to distrain John Vanneman to reply to Saer and Matilda le Lorymer, trespass (and at next courts).

Ordered to take Alan de la Neylond to reply to Joseph Elyanor, plea of accompt (and at next courts).

John Algood for licence to come to terms with Ric. Perold, in mercy.

Edm. le Chaloner complains of Matilda Toche, detention of timber; pledges to prosecute, Henry Horsepet, Thos. Pass(elewe).

Peter Musse, faber, complains of Roger le Couerour and Joan his wife, trespass.

Wm. Pope complains of Roger le Webbe, debt; pledges, John Shereman and T. Passelewe; defendant's pledges, John Venour and J. le Glover.

[Supposed Fugitives.]

Memorandum that the goods, viz., linen and woollen cloth, of John de Hauerell, hatter, and Alice his wife, taken on suspicion, the said John and Alice being fugitives, were valued at 7*sh.*

[Burgess Admitted.]

Thomas le Skynner, of Ipswich, entered the Burgage, taking the oaths and paying fine, 10*sh*. Pledges, Nich. le Chapman, John Costyn, Thos. atte Gate, J. de Bott[ingham].

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. Matthias [3rd March].

Essoigns.

Edm. and Matilda le Chaloner *v.* Matilda le Toche, by Ric. Clericus.
Wm. le Lyndraper *v.* Hy. and Agnes his wife, by John Ferthyng.
Hy. le Cook *v.* Wm. Lyndraper, by John le Man.
Agnes his wife *v.* the same, by the same.

Roger le Webbe for licence to come to terms with Wm. Pope, in mercy.

Simon f. Matilda le Payndemeynere for the same with Wm. and Joan Bacon; in mercy.

John atte Shawe for the same with Robert Shereman, in mercy.

Still a day given for Wm. de Brome, plaintiff, and Saer le Lorymer, defendant, debt.

Ordered to distrain John Hakeney to reply to Ralph Baker.

Geoffrey Donnyng appeared against Rob. de Peldon, debt, who did not appear, and was ordered to be distrained.

Simon Capellanus, executor of Rob. de Welles, for licence to come to terms with Wm. de Hadleye, in mercy.

Wm. Jelynet, for trespass, paid fine.

Joseph Elyanor complains of Adam, dictus Brounadam, debt.

Membrane 6.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. Gregory, 11th Edward III. [17th March].

Essoigns.

Wm. Lyndraper *v.* Hy. and Agnes le Cook, by John Ferthing.
Hy. and Agnes le Cook *v.* Wm. Lyndraper, by John Huchouns.

Roger le Couerour and Joan his wife, for trespass on Peter Musse, in mercy.

Rob. de Peldon for licence to come to terms with Geoffrey Donnyng, in mercy.

[Lease. Property Outside North Gate.]

Felicia wid. of John Raven, butcher, and Joan, his daughter, surrender to the Bailiff a place with buildings on it in the suburb outside North Gate to the use of John f. Ric. Clerici, jun., who was thereupon admitted.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Annunciation of Blessed Virgin Mary [31st March].

Essoigns.

John Beneyt *v.* John Blaunchard and Alice his wife, by J. Ferthing.
John Blaunchard *v.* John Beneyt, by Ric. Clericus.

(Other cases above named continued).

Distraint ordered on Matilda Toche to reply to Edm. le Chaloner.

John de Claringg, merchant, complains of John Fitz Symund, of Halsted, mercht;, debt; pledge, J. Lucas.

John f. Symund de Halsted, mercht., for licence to come to terms with John de Claringg, in mercy.

[Bakers Fined for Short Weight.]

The bakers' bread was taken and weighed on 8th April.

Fined for short weight:—

Thos. Deynes in farthing simnel, 2*sh.* 8*d.*, made fine 20*d.* by his pledges, J. atte Park and J. Wyger.

Thos. Plat in farthing wheat loaf, 2*sh.* 8*d.* Fine, 20*d.*

The same in halfpenny coket, 20*d.* Fine, 4*d.*

The same in farthing coket, 20*d.* (Cancelled).

Thos. Deynes in hallpenny loaf, 4*sh.* 10*d.* Fine, 4*d.*

Joan, wife of Adam Luy, in farthing simnel, 2*s.* 6*d.* Fine, 12*d.*

The same in farthing wheat loaf, 3*sh.* 6*d.* Fine, 12*d.*

John Wyger in ¼*d.* simnel, 2*s.* 6*d.* Fine, 18*d.*

John super-murum, in ¼*d.* wastell, 17*d.* Fine, 3*d.*

The same in ¼*d.* simnel, 20*d.* Fine, 6*d.*

The same in ½*d.* wheat loaf, 12*d.* Fine, 3*d.*

Alice, wife of Ric. Parlebien. in ½*d.* wheat loaf, 6*s.* 4*d.* Fine, 12*d.*

The same in ½*d.* coket, 40*d.* Fine, 6*d.*

Ric. de Suthereye in ¼*d.* simnel, 20*d.* Fine, 3*d.*

The same in ¼*d.* wheat loaf, 20*d.* Fine, 3*d.*

The same in ½*d.* wheat loaf, 3s. 8d. Fine, 3*d.*

Agnes super-murum in ¼*d.* simnel, 10*d.*, and in ¼*d.* wheat loaf, 20*d.* Fine, 6*d.*

John Markeshale complains of John atte Cross, debt; pledges, J. le Webbe and T. Passelewe;

Roger le Wollemonger complains of Ralph de Wendover, chaplain, debt.

John de Lansele complains of Saer le Lorymer, debt; the said John puts in his place Thos. Passelewe.

[Sale of a Porpoise.]

John atte Hyde, fined for sale of a porpoise before proper time, and to the making dear of the market, 12*d.*

Saer le Lorymer, attached to reply to J. de Lansele, finds pledges, Richard Dingariht and J. Lucas.

Thomas Juscard, parson of Grensted, complains of Robert de Wendouere, chaplain, debt; pledge to prosecute, Ralph Heued.

The said Robert to be distrained to reply, etc.

[House at Head Gate.]

Wm. Cranemere surrendered to the bailiffs a house at Heued Gate, to the use of Ric. le Poure.

Membrane 6 verso.

Hundred

The Morrow of Palm Sunday [14th April].

Essoign.

John Beneyt *v.* John Blaunchard and Alice his wife, trespass, by John Ferthing.

[Leases Granted.]

The Bailiffs, Commonalty, and Burgesses made the following grants or leases:—

To Wm. de Maldon, a plot of land within the wall near the entry of the postern called le Southssherd, rent 8*d*.

To Philip Parlebien, fuller, of an empty plot of ground in the suburb outside le Southssherd, rent 4*d*.

To Walter le Rede, two pools at le Bredenasse, within the bank and water belonging to the town of Colchester, viz., one for flow and the other for re-flow, which John Thomas lately held, rent 12*d*.

Ralph de Wendover in above case of T. Juscard, to be distrained.

Ralph de Wendover, chaplain, to be distrained to reply to Rog. le Wollemonger.

Various other cases, above mentioned, continued.

Wm. le Skinner, of Hadley, complains of Ric. le Palmer, debt; pledge to prosecute, J. de Rokele, the said Richard's pledge being John Heward.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Close of Easter [28th April].

Essoigns.

Saer le Lorymer *v.* John de Lansele, by Ric. Clericus.
Wm. le Skinner, of Hadley, *v.* Ric. le Palmer, by T. Passelewe.
Ric. le Palmer *v.* same William, by Joseph Elyanor.

To come to terms:—

Nich. de Briche with John Sterre.
John Beneyt with John Blaunchard and Alice his wife.
John atte Cros with John Marketshale.

Distraints ordered on:—

John Adam to reply to Matthew f. Roberti.
Adam Brounadam to reply to Joseph Elyanor.

Other cases above named continued.

[A Place at Head Gate.]

Wm. Cranemere surrendered in full hundred a certain place within the walls near la Heuedgate, to the use of Richard le Pouere, who gave an entry fine of 18*d*.; pledge T. Passelewe.

Still ordered to distrain Ralph de Wendover, chaplan, to reply to Thos. Juscard, parson of Grenested, and also to reply to Roger le Wollemonger.

Membrane 7.

Lawehundred, Colchester

Monday after Hokeday, 11th Edward III. [12th May].

Essoigns.

Saer le Lorymer *v.* John de Lansele, by Richard Clericus.
John le Portherd *v.* Ric. de Langham, by John Lucas.
Ric. le Palmer *v.* Wm. le Skinner, of Hadleye, by Adam Waryn.
Ric. de Langham *v.* John le Portherd, by Richard Clericus.

Wm. Basset, in mercy, for false complaint for debt *v.* Ralph Brodstrat.

Common Essoigns.

Ric. de Bradewey, by Ralph Ode.
Wm. de la March, by Wm. de Hadleye.
Rob. de Badele, by John Tybbe.
Prior of St. Botolph, by Joseph Elyanor.
Philip Rokele, by John Lucas.
Jacob de Bures, by John Waryn.
John de la Rokele, by Alex. atte Watere.
John de Fordham, by Nich. Gros.
Thos. Fraunceis, by Thos. Passelewe.
Petronilla Kyng, by Rog. Alfred.
Roger de Barntone, by John Chapman.
Ralph Knyht, by Wm. Hadleye.

Wm. le Skynner for not prosecuting Ric. le Palmer, in mercy.

[Will of William atte Sloo, of Ardleigh.]

Probate of the will of Wm. atte Sloo, of Ardeley, dated Thursday after Conversion of St. Paul, 11th Edward III. [28th Jan., 1337], leaving a tenement in Eststrate to be sold, his son to have 22*sh.* of the proceeds, and the rest to be expended in divine services for his soul. Executors, Juliana his wife, and Matilda his sister. Probate dated, Monday after Feast of St. Dunstan.

The following cases again named (and on *Membrane* 7 *verso*).

John Adam *v.* Matth. f. Roberti.
Ralph de Wendover *v.* Tho. Juscard.
Joseph Elyanor *v.* Adam Brounadam.
Matth. Feypo *v.* Wm. Boutevileyn, Knt.
John Vanneman *v.* Saer le Lorymer.
Wm. Chercheman *v.* Nich. le Masoun.
Matilda Toche *v.* Edm. le Chaloner.
Alan de la Neylond *v.* Joseph Elyanor.
Ralph de Wendover *v.* Rog. le Wollemonger.

[Beer-Sellers Fined.]

The Jury present for selling beer against the Assize, viz., a gallon for 1½d., all those whose names are given above on *Membrane* 4 *verso*, which are marked thus *, and in addition:—

Joan Sages	Ric. le Barbour's wife
John le Venour's wife	Thos. le Skinner's wife
John Russel's wife	Rob. Olyver's wife
Nich. le Northern's wife	W. Bacoun's wife

Also the persons who were before presented for forestalling (*see Membrane* 4 *verso*).

Membrane 7 *verso.*

[Unsealed Measures.]

Also that the following took toll of corn with unsealed measures:—

Geoffrey de Lexden, miller.
Wm. de Knapton, Lord of Northmelne.
John atte Halle and Roger Pig, farmers of Middelmelne
John Stokfissh, farmer of Eastmelne.
John Wyger, farmer of Bournemelne.
Wm. de Maldon, farmer of New Priory Mill.

That Matthew Toche raised hue justly on Rob. f. Simon Smeth in North Street.

That Alice la Webbe raised hue unjustly on Walter Grisse and William Serviens, in South Street.

That John called Longejon raised hue justly on John de Leycestre in East Street.

That Margery de London raised hue justly on Simon le Wollemonger in Stokwelle Stret.

[For Fishing on the Common River-bank.]

Robert Shereman for fishing on the common river-bank (riparia) and selling the fish, to the loss of the Commonalty, was pardoned.

[Trees on the Town Wall.]

That John, Rector of All Saints, cut down and carried off from the field called Le Berye, 13 hazel trees, growing on the town wall; in mercy.

[Forestaller of Fish.]

That John Kyng is a forestaller of fish in the market and in secret houses, and sells them dearer to the people than if they remained in the merchants' hands; in mercy 6*d*.

[Defaulters.]

The Abbot of St. John's, Colchester, for not performing suit for five acres of land in Holefeld, which the Almoner of that place holds, in mercy.

The following also in mercy for not performing suit:—

Alan de la Neylond.
John f. John de Wodhall.
Margery fil. Elie fil. Johannis.
John Prennyng for land, late Leukenore's.

Thomas and Isabel Jolyf complain of Wm. le Sowehaler, trespass, the latter finding pledge to defend, Adam le Sowehaler.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. Dunstan [26th May].

Essoigns.

Saer le Lorymer *v.* John de Lansele, by Richard Clericus.
John le Portherd *v.* Ric. de Langham, by John Lucas.

Wm. le Sowehaler for hue on him justly raised by Thomas and Isabella Jolyf, in mercy, and the same for coming to terms with the same, in mercy.

Robert de Colne complains of Hugh Trewe, trespass, finding pledges Rob. Palat and T. Passelewe, who, with Wm. de Hadley, were pledges for defendant.

Warin atte Welle complains of Saer le Lorymer, debt, the said Saer finding pledge, John le Mareschal.

Adam atte Welle complains of Saer le Lorymer, trespass.

John de Fordham, mercht., complains of the same, debt.

Saer le Lorymer complains of Ad. atte Welle, trespass.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday in Whitsun Week [9th June].

Essoigns.

Hugh Trewe *v.* Rob. de Colne, by John Lucas.
John le Portherd *v.* Ric. de Langham, by Ric. Clericus.
John de Fordham, mercht., *v.* Saer le Lorymer, by the same.
Ric. de Langham *v.* John le Portherd, by Saer le Lorymer.

Days given to:—
John de Lansele *v.* Saer le Lorymer.
Warin atte Welle *v.* Ric. de Langham.
Adam atte Welle *v.* Saer le Lorymer.
Saer le Lorymer *v.* Adam atte Welle.

Ordered to levy on the goods of Edmund le Chaloner 24*sh.* 4*d.*, which Wm. in the Heye recovered by judgment in full hundred.

Membrane 8.

Still the Hundred, Monday in Whitsun Week [9th June].

[Burgess Admitted.]

John Kyng, of Fingringhoo, entered the Burgage, paying fine 10*s.*, etc. Pledges, Mathew f. Roberti, Thomas Besouth, John Bakere, and Richard Payn.

[Concerning Land in West Donyland (Berechurch)].

Robert le Clerk brought the King's Writ of Right to the Bailiffs, dated Stamford, 27th May, 1337, concerning a tenement, 60 acres of land, etc., in Westdonyland, which he claims to hold from the Crown by free service of 1*d.*, which Oliver de Bloumvill and Joan, his wife, deforced him of. Whereupon Robert finds pledges to prosecute, viz., Wm. le Cartere and John Rady, and the subbailiff, John Bottingham, is ordered to have the said Oliver and Joan there on Vigil of Nativity of St. John Baptist (23rd Jnne).

[Place near Wire Street.]

John de Wylteshire surrendered an empty place within the walls near Wyrstrate, opposite John Bog's tenement, to the use of Ralph Sweyn, who had seisin, and paid fine on entry, 3*d.*

Thos. atte Herst complains of Wm. Bassat, trespass. Pledge, Roger Somenour.

John Gyloun, sen., acknowledged that he is held to Thos. le Skinner, of Ipswich, in 13*sh.* 6*d.* payable at Christmas next.

Hundred, Colchester

Vigil of Nativity of St. John Baptist [Monday, 23rd June].

Essoigns.

William Bassat *v.* Thos. atte Herst, trespass, by Wm. Bret.
Hugh Trewe *v.* Rob: de Colne, trespass, by John Lucas.
John Bolex *v.* Henry de Marham and Sabina, his wife, by Joseph Clericus.

[Land at West Donyland.]

Robert le Clerk, of Colchester, appeared against Oliver de Bloumvill and Joan, his wife, in case above mentioned concerning land in Westdonyland, who made default, and the land, etc., is taken into the King's hand.

John Dasze and Joan, his wife, appear against Richard de Coventre, chaplain, trespass. John Lucas, subbailiff, witnesses that the said Richard was distrained by a chest sealed, and a sword; and by that will not justify himself, etc. Further distraint ordered.

[Meat Stall in Market-place.]

John Somer came and surrendered a meat stall in the market-place held by 14*d.* yearly to the use of John le Cook, of Langham, who had seisin, paying fine on entry, 6*d.*

Saer de Lorymer for licence to come to terms with Warin atte Welle, debt.
Adam atte Welle seeks permission to reply on his complaint *v.* Saer le Lorymer, and has it.
Day given to John de Lansele, plaintiff, and Saer le Lorymer, defendant, for debt.
The following cases were again mentioned:—
Matthew Feypo *v* Wm. Boutevileyn, Knt.
John Adam *v.* Matthew f. Roberti.
John Vannerman *v.* Saer le Lorymer.
Wm. Chercheman *v.* Nich. le Mascoun.
Alan de la Neylond *v.* Joseph Elyanore.

Ordered to levy from the goods of Edm. le Chaloner, 24*sh.* 4*d.* principal, and 20*sh.* damages, which Wm. in the Heye recovered by judgment.

The Bailiffs, etc., leased to John de Wiltesshyre an empty place to build on, which Ralph Sweyn holds opposite John Bog's tenement. Rent, 6*d.*

John Fynger acknowledged that he is bound to John le Cook in 30*sh.*

Membrane 8 *verso.*

[Tenement in East Street and other Property.—An Oyster-Stall in the Market-Place.]

Adam de Leycestre, son of John de Leycestre, came before the Bailiffs and acknowledged in full hundred a Deed of Grant, which Henry the said Adam's son showed there to be his, viz., grant by the said Adam to his son Henry, of a tenement which he inhabits in Eststrate, which he had by bequest of his father John; with a "mora" in the same suburb lying between the meadow of Alice le Deyeres and Spitelelane, which he acquired from John Hakeney; and an oyster stall in the market place near the shop lately Warin's f. Willelmi; 6*d.* rent from the tenement of Adam de Castell opposite to Cornhull, formerly belonging to Armerin the Jew; 1*d.* rent from a shop of John Rokele's, formerly John Lotoun's, near the messuage of Thos. Fraunceys; 4*d.* rent from Wm. Shereman's tenement beyond the bridge. Witn. John Fynch, John Caperoun, bailiffs of Colchester, John de Ratlesden, John Roger, Hen. Algood, Robert de Leyre, Rob. le Taillour, Ric. le Clerk. Dated, Saturday after Feast of St. Luke, 10th Edward III. [19th October, 1336].

Hundred, Colchester

Feast of Translation of St. Thomas [Monday, 7th July].

Essoigns.

Richard de la Donne, chaplain, *v.* John de Faversham, by Nichs. Springold.
John le Portherd *v.* Rich. de Langham, by John Lucas.
Hugh Trowe *v.* Rob. de Colne, by Thos. Passelewe.
Wm. Bassat *v.* Thos. atte Herst, by John de Bottingham.
John Bolex *v.* Hy. de Marham and Sabina, his wife, by Joseph Elyanor.

The case of Rob. le Clerk *v.* Oliver and Joan Bloumville, continued.

[An Assault with Knives and Sticks.]

John Bolex was attached to reply to Hen. de Marham and Sabina, his wife, trespass, viz., for an assault alleged to have been made on the said Sabina by the said John, with knives and sticks. John denying the charge, a day is given, etc.

Distraints ordered on:—

Ric. de Coventree, chaplain, to reply to John Dasze and Joan, his wife; the same to reply to Ric. de Borham, chaplain.

Matthew Feypo to reply to Wm. Boutevileyn.

John Adam ,, ,, Matthew f. Roberti.

John Vanneman ,, ,, Saer le Lorymer.

A day given to John de Lansele, plaintiff, and Saer le Lorymer, defendant.

The following cases continued:—

Wm. Chercheman *v.* Nich. le Masoun.

Alan de la Neylond *v.* Jos. Elyanore.

Edm. le Chaloner *v.* Wm. in the Heye.

John Torold acknowledged that he is bound to Wm. de Brome in 8 marks and a half.

Oliver and Joan de Bloumville put in their place Nich. Hakoun *v.* Rob. le Clerk.

Hundred, Colchester

Morrow of St. Margaret [Monday, 21st July].

Essoigns.

Wm. Bassat *v.* Thos. atte Herst, by Richard Clericus.

Nich. Hakoun, attorney of O. and J. de Bloumville *v.* Rob. le Clerk, by John Sayer.

Thos. le Smyth *v.* Adam le Souter, by John Lucas.

John Bolex *v.* Hy. de Marham and Sabina, his wife, by Joseph Elyanore.

Ric. de la Donne, chaplain *v.* John de Faversham, chaplain, by Nich. Springold.

Adam le Spycer, attorney of John de Faversham, *v.* Ric. de la Donne, by Joseph Elyanore.

John Knyvet *v.* Godfrey Lovekyn, parson of Rendlesham, by Adam Waryn.

The same Godfrey *v.* the same John, by J. de Bottingham.

Robert le Clerk appeared against Oliver and Joan de Bloumville, a day given; also on *Membrane* 9, *verso.*

Membrane 9.

The same Hundred, continued.

The following cases referred to (also on *Membrane* 9 *verso*).

John de Lansele *v.* S. le Lorymer.

M. Feypo *v.* W. Boutevileyn.

John Adam *v.* M. f. Roberti.

Wm. Chercheman *v.* N. le Masoun.

Alan de la Neylond *v.* J. Elyanor.

Ric. de Coventree, chaplain, attached by chattels, value 6*s* 6*d.*, in the hand of J. Fynch, bailiff, to reply to John and Joan Dasze.

Distraint ordered on John Vanneman to reply to S. le Lorymer and Matilda, his wife.

Richard de Topesfeld, faber, complains of Adam le Furbour, trespass. Pledge, Saer le Lorymer.

Pleas, Colchester

Thursday after Feast of St. Mary Magdalene [24th July].

Essoign.

Adam le Furbour *v.* R. de Topesfeld. Pledge, Wm. Cuttesone.

Wm. de la Mote complains of J. le Fisshere, of Colne Wake, debt.

Pleas, Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. James [28th July].

Essoigns.

Adam le Furbour *v.* Ric. de Topesfeld, faber, by Wm. Cuttesone.
John le Fissher, of Colne Wake, *v.* Wm. de la Mote, by Wm. de Leycestre.

Pleas, Colchester

Wednesday before Feast of St. Peter ad Vincula [30th July].

Adam le Furbour *v.* R. de Topesfeld.

Saer le Lorymer acknowledges a debt to Thos. Deynes, of London, merchant, of 28*sh.*, due at Feast of St. Denis next.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after same Feast [4th August].

Essoigns.

Thos. de Vernonn *v.* Walter le Taillour, by Thos. Passelewe.
Benedicta, his wife, *v.* the same, by John Lucas.
Roger Costyn *v.* Tho. f. Joh. le Ferrour, by John de Bottingham.
Nich. Hakoun, attorney of Ol. de Bloumvill and Joan, his wife, *v.* Rob. le Clerk, by Luke Clerk.
Thos. le Smyth *v.* Adam le Sontere, by John Lucas.
John Knyvet *v.* Godfrey Lovekyn, parson of Rendlesham, by Adam Waryn.
The same Godfrey *v.* the same John, by John de Bottingham.

Rob. le Clerk appeared against Ol. and Joan de Bloumvill; day given.

John Bolex, for licence to come to terms with Hen. de Marham and Sabina, his wife, in mercy.

Wm. Shakeleg, because he does not prosecute John Durant, trespass, in mercy.

Day given to Wm. de la Mote and John le Fissher.

Saer le Lorymer, for licence to come to terms with John de Lansele, in mercy.

Days given to John de Faversham, plaintiff, and Ric. de la Donne, defendant, and to Ric. de Topesfeld, plaintiff, and Ad. le Furbour, defendant.

John le Bole complains of John de Liston, chiv., trespass; plaintiff's pledges, Tho. Bastard and Wm. de la Mote; defendant's pledges, John de la Rokele, John de Oxney.

Membrane 9 verso.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Feast of Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary, 11th Edward III. [18th August]

Essoigns.

Thos. atte Herst *v.* Wm. Bassat, by Richard Clericus.
Nich. Hakoun, attorney of Ol. and Joan Bloumvill *v.* Rob. le Clerk, by Wm. Faleys.
Thos. de Vernoun *v.* Walt. le Taillour, by Thos. Passelewe.
Benedicta, his wife, *v.* the same, by John Lucas.
Rog. Costyn *v.* Thos. f. Joh. le Ferrour, by J. de Bottingham.
Thos. le Smyth *v.* Adam le Sontere, by J. Lucas.
John Knyvet *v.* Godf. Lovekyn, parson of Rendlesham, by Adam Waryn.
The same Godfrey *v.* John Knyvet, by Richard Clericus.

Henry Ladde complains of Ad. le Furbour. Pledges, Wm. de Leycestre and J. de Bottingham.

Walter le Cartere complains of Thos. atte Halle, of Yarmouth. Pledges, Wm. Buk, R. Belch.

Juliana Okulf complains of Wm. Pycot, chaplain. Pledge, J. de Bottingham. Defendant's pledges, W. de Leycestre and Wm. Olyver.

John f. Edm. le Chaloner complains of Ric. Algood; trespass. Pledge, Edm. le Chaloner and J. Lucas.

Several orders to distrain, etc.

Saer le Lorymer has licence to reply to John Vanneman, trespass.

Walt. le Taillour for not prosecuting T. de Vernoun and Benedicta his wife, in mercy, 3*d*.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Beheading of St. John Baptist [1st Sept.].

Essoigns.

Wm. Pycot, chaplain, *v.* Juliana Okulf, by Wm. de Leycestre.
Adam le Furbour *v.* Hy. Ladde, by John de Bottingham.
Rog. Costyn *v.* Thos. f. Joh. le Ferrour, by the same.

[Lands at West Donyland].

The case of Rob. le Clark *v.* Ol. and Joan Bloumvill, continued.

The defendants say that the lands in question are not in West Donyland only, but also in Estdonyland and Staneway, and that, therefore, the Writ of Right is incorrect. Postponed to next Hundred.

[Bakers Fined for Short Weight].

Bread of Bakers taken and weighed on Wednesday after Beheading of St. John Baptist.

Thos. Deynes, 18*d*., short in farthing wastell	Fine	6*d*.
Thos. Bygeys, 20*d*., short in same	,,	6*d*.
John Wyger, 18*d*. ,,	,,	6*d*.
John super Murum, short 3*sh*. in ¼*d*. simnel	,,	2*sh*. 6*d*.
John atte Halle, short 3*s*. in ½*d*. simnel	,,	6*d*.
Wm. Bacoun, short in ¼*d*. loaf	,,	2*sh*. 6*d*.
Agnes super Murum ,,	,,	6*d*.
John le Pottere ,,	,,	12*d*.
Wm. Pegon, 6*sh*. short in ¼*d*. loaf	,,	2*sh*. 6*d*.
Wm. de Maldon, 4*sh*. short in ¼*d*. loaf	,,	12*d*.

Membrane 10.

Still the same Hundred.

The following cases continued:

Hy. le Barbour *v.* Rob. le Coteler.
John f. Edm. le Chaloner *v.* Ric. Algood.
Godfrey Louekyn, parson of Rendlesham, *v.* John Knyvet.
Thos. atte Herst *v.* Wm. Bassat.
M. Feypo *v.* Wm. Boutevileyn.
Wm. Chercheman *v.* Nich. le Masoun.
John Adam *v.* Matth. f. Roberti.
Ric. de Coventre *v.* John and Joan Dasze.
Alan de la Neylond *v.* Joseph Elyanor.
Walter le Taillour *v.* Thos. and Benedicta de Vernoun.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Nativity of Blessed Virgin Mary [15th Sept.]

Essoigns.

Wm. Pycot, chaplain, *v.* Juliana Okulf, by Wm. de Leycestre.
N. Hakoun, attorney of O. and J. Bloumvill, *v.* Rob. le Clerk.
Thos. atte Halle *v.* Walt. le Carter, by Wm. de Ratlesden.
Thos. de Vernoun *v.* Walt. le Taillour, by Thos. Passelewe.
Benedicta, his wife, by J. Lucas.
Rog. Costyn *v.* Avelina Smythes, by J. de Bottingham.
John Hondy *v.* Ralph Sweyn, by the same.

Wm. Bassat pleads not guilty to a charge of assault at New Heath, on Thos. atte Herst.

Roger Costyn and his pledges to be distrained for not appearing to answer charge of trespass, by Thos. f. Joh. le Ferrour.

Walt. le Carter and his pledges, similarly, charge of trespass, by Thos. atte Halle.

Distraint ordered on M. Feypo and John Adam, in cases before mentioned.

The following cases continued:

Wm. Chercheman *v.* Nich. le Masoun.
Wm. de Coventree *v.* John and Joan Dasze.
Ad. de la Neylond *v.* J. Elyanor.
Hy. Ladde *v.* Ad. le Furbour.
Rob. le Clerk *v.* O. and J. Bloumvill.

Simon le Pedder complains of Walt. de Tudenham, debt. Pledges J. Lucas and Thos. Passelewe. Defendant's pledges, Rob. Edward and Ric. Edward.

Membrane 10 *verso.*

Hundred, Colchester

Feast of St. Michael [Monday, 29th Sept.].

Essoigns.

Nich. Hakoun, attorney of O. and J. de Bloumvill, *v.* Rob. le Clerk, by Warin atte Welle.
Wm. Bassat *v.* Thos. atte Herst, by John Gardiner.
Wm. Pycot *v.* Juliana Okulf, by Wm. de Leycestre.
Thos. de Vernoun *v.* Walt. le Taillour, by Thos. Passelewe.
Benedicta, his wife, by John Lucas.
Roger Costyn *v.* Avelina Smythes, by Ric. Clericus.

The case of R. le Clerk *v.* O. and J. de Bloumville again postponed.

John Hondy and his pledges to be distrained for not appearing to reply to charge of Ralph Sweyn.

Thos. f. John le Ferrour appeared against Roger Costyn, and J. de Bottingham, sub-bailiff, reporting that the said Roger had nothing in his bailiwick, whereby he could be attached, it is ordered that his body be attached, etc.

Thos. atte Halle to be distrained by great distraint to reply to Walt. le Cartere.

Similarly Matthew Feypo, to reply to Wm. Boutevileyn, Knt.

Wm. Chercheman *v.* Nich. le Masoun continued.

Distraint ordered on John Adam to reply to Matth. fil. Roberti.

Ric. de Coventree, chaplain, and John and Joan Dasze have a day.

Ordered to take Alan de la Neylond to reply to Joseph Elyanor.

Wm. Bacoun complains of Richard Fons, trespass. Pledges, Ralph Ode and J. Lucas.

Cristina Springold complains of Thos. le Smyth, debt.

John Lytelbery for licence to come to terms with Ralph Raven, trespass, in mercy, 3*d.*

Wm. Buk complains of Adam f. Stephani, debt.

Roll VI.

Membrane 1.

Roll of Pleas of the Borough of Colchester.

From Michaelmas to Michaelmas, 14-15, Edward III. (1340-1341), in the time of ROBERT LE CLERK and WM. DE HADLEYE, Bailiffs.

Lawehundred

Monday after Michaelmas Day 14th Edward III. [2nd Oct., 1340].

Essoigns (*Common*).

Margery Sarcok, by Wm. de Ratlesden.
Prior of St. Bartholomew, Colchester, by Wm. de Cosford.
Richard Scotard, by John Baker.
Abbot of St. Osyth, by Roger Belch.
Ralph de Colne, by Adam de Colne.
John Baroun, by John Philip.
John Lansele, by Thos. de Borham.
Henry Josyas, by Philip Rokele.
Wm. atte March, by Sayer Lorymer.
Thos. Fraunceys, by Wm. Massoun.
John Prennyng, by John Lucas.
Cristina, widow of Thos. Scot, by John Bakere.
John Bolayne, by John Lucas.

Agnes de Leycestre appeared against Roger le Wollemonger, who did not appear. He and his pledges to be distrained.

[Burgesses Admitted.]

The following entered the Burgage, paying the fine of 10*sh.*, etc.

Roger de Croxton - - -	*Pledges*: Rog. Belch, John Fynch, Adam de Colne, John le Chapman.
John called Longe Jon - - -	*Pledges*: Rog. Belch, Wm. Buk, John Belch, John Aleyn.
Hen. de Marham - - -	*Pledges*: John Fynch, Ad. de Colne, Adam atte Watere, and Alex. atte Watere.
John Lannual - - - -	*Pledges*: Wm. Gille, Thos. de Nanton, Ralph Heved, Rob. Arwesmyth.
Ric. Dyngariht - - - -	*Pledges*: Ad. de Colne, Jo. Gest, Ad. Waryn, Phil. Rokele.
John f. Roberti le Baker. - -	*Pledges*: John atte Halle, Wm. Gille, Wm. Hory, John supra Murum.

Membrane 1 *verso.*

PRESENTMENTS OF THE JURY on the articles of the Lawe Hundred.

[Beer Sellers Fined.]

1. That the following sold beer contrary to the assize, viz., a gallon at 1½*d.* Therefore in mercy.

Heuedward.		*Northward.*
Wife of John de Leyre, Taillour	m. 5	Ric. Dollard's wife
Rog. Chamberleyn's wife	m. 5	John Russel's wife
Adam atte Welle's wife	m. 5	John Sale's wife
Thos. Franceys' wife	m. 5	Wm. de Maldon's wife
Ric. le Barbour's wife	m. 5	Wife of John Pottere, baker
John de Dedham's wife	m. 5	Wm. le Cook's wife
Wm. Ilcent's wife		John Gest's wife

Heuedward (continued).

Ric. de Cesford's wife	m. 5
John Wyger's wife	m. 5
John le Chapman's wife	m. 5
Thos. de Dedham's wife	m. 5
Wife of Rog. Costyn, Faber	m. 5
John Gyloun's wife	m. 5
Ric. de Coln's wife	m. 5
John Soler's wife	m. 5
Ric. Dyngariht's wife	m. 5
John Vynour's wife	m. 5
Rog. Textor's wife	m. 5
Wm. Hory's wife	m. 5
John de Fordham's wife	m. 5
John de Aston's wife	m. 5
Thos. Passelewe's wife	m. 5

Estward.

Katherine Deyer	
Margery Sarcok	m. 5
Wife of Robert Armurer	m. 5
Walt. de Illeye's wife	m. 5
John atte Park's wife	m. 5
John le Marchal's wife	m. 5
Ric. Scotard's wife	m. 5
Rob. Scot's wife	m. 5
Juliana Colles	m. 5
Alice Porters	m. 5
Ric. Lauyn's wife	
John Algod's wife	m. 5
John Sterre's wife	m. 5
John Stokfissh's wife	m. 5
John Roger's wife	m. 5
Edm. de Chaloner's wife	m. 5
Wm. Gille's wife	m. 5
Nich. le Herde's wife	m. 5
Ric. Maynard's wife	m. 5
John Esthey's widow	
Tho. Faber's wife	m. 5
Hy. Algod's wife	m. 5
	m. 5
	m. 5
	m. 5
	m. 5
	m. 5
	m. 5
	m. 5

Northward (continued).

Adam ate Watere's wife
Rob. de Colne's wife
Wm. Sparling's wife
Ric. Sparling's wife
Wife of John atte Cherche, bercarius
Phil. le Chapman's wife
Rob. Palat's wife
Agnes Naplef
Nich. le Masoun's wife
Ralph Knyht's wife
Thos. Deynes's wife
Rob. Edward's wife
Hy. Josyas's wife
Hy. Marchaunt's wife
Wm. Prentiz's wife

Southward.

Agnes Spicehale
Ralph Heued's wife
John Fynch's wife
Tho. Skynnere's wife
Nich. le Chapman's wife
Wife of Jo. Costyn, Clerk
Thos. atte Gate's wife
Elena Cardestere
Elicia Costyn
Ralph Baldewyne's wife
Ralph Sweyn's wife
Emma de Bottyngham
Nich. le Wrighte's wife
Wm. Bacoun's wife
John atte Halle's wife
Wm. Hedyth's wife
Alice Melcote
Tho. Besouth's wife
Adam Luy's wife
John Kyng's wife
Rog. Belch's wife
Cristina, maid of W. Buk
John Aleyn's wife
Wm. Hydman's wife
John Swarthar's wife
John Rady's wife
John de Peldon's wife
Philippa Pecok
Ric. Payn's wife
Joan Brid
Alice, maid of W. Bassat
Alice Bodyes

[Forestallers.]

2. The following were found to be common forestallers of poultry, dairy, and fish. Therefore in mercy.

Cristina de Samton		Roger le Somenour
Ida Hotfot	m. 5	Nich. Smart's wife
Isabella Melner	m. 5	John f. Will le Barber
John Cosyn's wife		John Craft's wife
Isab. Belles		Thos. Draper
John le Somenour		Avelina Smythes

[Unsealed Measures at the Mills.]

The following were found to have taken toll of corn with unsealed measures. In mercy.

Richard Parcarius, of Neyland, farmer of Northmelne.
John Wyger and John atte Halle, farmers of Middelmelne.
John Stokfyssh, farmer of Estmelne.
John Wyger, farmer of Bournemelne.
The same, for the old Priory mill.
Wm. Maldon, farmer of New Mill.

[Unauthorised Pasturing on Common Fields.]

The following for feeding their cattle on the common fields, not being burgesses. In mercy.

Ralph Leuegor, with 60 sheep.
Wm. Aylmer, with 100 sheep.
John atte Cherche, with 160 sheep.
John le Smyth, of Lexden, with 80 sheep.
John Sayer, of Donyland, with 180 sheep.
The Almoner of St. John's, with 80 sheep.

That Simon Cook, chaplain, assaulted John, lad of J. Goggere, at Dannyldhel, the said John raising hue justly.

That Ric. Dyngariht assaulted Cristina de Donewyco, the said Cristina raising hue justly, etc.

[Encroachment at Stockwell.]

That Ric. Packe made encroachment on the King's way at Stokwell, raising there a wall of earth 20ft. by 1ft.

That Ric. Lauyn dug clay in Cheldervellelane, whereby the lane is hollowed to the danger of the passers by, etc.

That John Kyge made encroachment on the King's way in the same lane, raising a hedge 2 perches by 2ft.

That Ric. Parcarius, of Neylond, by his carter, dug clay in Holelane towards Miland.

Robert Edward, Nicholas le Gros, and the Sacrist of St. John's church, for the same offence. In mercy.

That John Goggere dug clay at Dannyldhel. In mercy.

[Encroachment by the Abbot of St. John.]

That the Abbot of St. John's enclosed a field called Le Monckdoune, near Holemere, with a wall of earth where a certain gate used to stand, so that the Burgesses cannot common in the said field.

[Wine-Sellers Fined.]

That John Fynch sells wine contrary to the assize, viz., a gallon for 8d. In mercy.

Roger Belch, for same offence.

[Defaulters.]

The following in mercy:

John Prennyng for not doing suit of court for a tenement in Northstrate.
Margaret de Wenlond for non-appearance.
Thos. f. Margarete de Langham for the same.
Roger de Barnton for the same.
Wm. le Cook for not attending Lawehundred.
John Roger for same.
Thos. le Taillour for not attending inquiry between W. le Cuppere and Ric. Skriveyn.
Edm. le Skynnere, John Wyger } for same offence.

Membrane 2.

Richard le Valeyns, of Orford, merchant, complains of Cleys Wolf, of Lombardye, near Neweport, merchant, debt.

Pleas, Colchester

Feast of St. Osyth, 14th Edward III. [Saturday, 7th Oct., 1340.]

Essoigns.

Walter Crawestrate *v.* Ric. Packe, by Richard Clericus.
Ric. le Valeyns, of Orford, *v.* Cleys Wolf, by John Marchaunt.

Adam le Furbour complains of Roger Wythe, Berd (*sic*), plea of covenant.

Pleas, Colchester

Feast of St. Denis, same year [Monday, 9th Oct.]

Essoigns.

Ric. Packe *v.* Walter Crawestrate, by Warin atte Welle.
Roger Wythe, Berd *v.* Ad. le Furbur, by John Lucas.

Cleys Wolf, of Lombardye, etc., for licence to come to terms with Ric. le Valeyns, in mercy.

John f. Will le Mascoun complains of Ric. le Parker. Pledges: Adam de Colne, J. Lucas, the said Richard's pledges being Clement le Deyer and Wm. de Redyng.

Pleas, Colchester

Friday after St. Denis [13th Oct.]

Essoign.

Ric. le Parker *v.* John f. Will le Mascoun, by Ric. Sparlyng.

[Fresh Fish before time.]

John Spring, for fresh fish bought in the market before time, etc., fined—paid to J Lucas.

[Sheepskin Sold Contrary to Custom.]

Richard Prat, of St. Edmunds, for sheepskin sold contrary to custom, fined—paid to Saer le Lorymer.

Walter Crawestrate pleading not guilty to charge of common assault on Richard Packe, in Weststokwellestrate, an enquiry is granted, etc.

Rog. Belch complains of Thos. Deynes. Pledge, Wm. Buk. Plea of trespass.

John Raven, fuller, complains of Margery Gyle. Plea of covenant.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. Denis [16th Oct.]

Essoigns.

Ric. le Skriveyn *v.* Walter le Cuppere, by Adam Waryn.
The same *v.* the same Walter and Emma, his wife, by John Lucas.
John Waryn, attorney of Joan, wid. of Peter de Aston, Executrix of the will of the said Peter *v.* Thos. Baynard, chev., debt, whereupon an enquiry, by Richard Clericus.
John Wyger *v.* John Pig, by Nich. Walbeyn.
Walt. Crawestrate *v.* Ric. Packe, by Peter de Brome.
Wm. Graunger *v.* Rob. Marild and Stephen, chaplain of Wyleigh, Executors of Rog. de Brome, by John Lucas.
John le Mareschal *v.* John Pegon, by J. atte Halle.
Nich. le Chapman *v.* Hugh de Peyton, by Ric. Clericus.

Wm. Stork, for licence to come to terms with John atte Halle, trespass. In mercy. Pardoned because poor.

Roger Wythe, Berd, for licence to come to terms with Adam le Furbour. In mercy. Paid J. Lucas.

Richard le Parker, for the same with John f. Will. le Mascoun.

The same Richard for the same with Rob. Shereman. Pardoned because poor.

John Algod, mercer, acknowledged a debt of 100*sh.* to Thos. de Dedham.

["The Measure of Colchester."]

Richard Dyngariht acknowledges a debt of 2qrs. of corn of good measure according to the measure of Colchester.

John Rokele, Wm. atte Parke, and Philip Rokele acknowledge debt of 15*sh.* to Thos. de Dedham.

Thos. atte Gate for not prosecuting Thos. Deynes. In mercy.

Membrane 2 verso.

Still the Hundred, Monday after Feast of St. Denis [16th Oct.]

Ordered to distrain Roger le Wollemonger to reply to Agnes de Leycestre, trespass.

[Burgess Admitted.]

Stephen de Heecham, butcher, entered the burgage, paying the fine 10*sh.*, and finding pledges, Adam de Colne, Alex. atte Watere, Ric. Packe and Philip Rokele.

Days given to:

Thos. Baynard, chev., plaintiff, and Roger Belch, of Colchester, defendant, debt.
Richard le Sutthereye, plaintiff, and Rob. le Arwesmyth, defendant, trespass.

Ordered to distrain Margery Gyle to reply to John Raven, fuller, plea of covenant.

John de Fordham complains of Edm. le Skynnere, trespass. Pledges, Adam Waryn and J. Lucas.

Custancia Chaundelere complains of Prisca de Mereseye, debt. Pledge, Tho. de Leycestre, the same Prisca's pledges being John Waryn, J. atte Watere.

Adam de Wytleseye, chaplain, complains of Rog. le Taillour, for detention of a cap. Pledge, Hy. le Barber.

The following complaints also were made:

Geofr. Donnyng *v.* Ad. Grom, debt. Pledge, Wm. Hydman.

Juliana Colles *v.* Wm. Faber, chaplain, debt.

Ad. de Wyston, cobbler, *v.* Maur. le Coupere, debt.

Symon Kerville *v.* Hy. Osekyn, debt. Pledge, Wm. le Cook, the defendant's pledge being John le Lache.

John de Frennyngham *v.* John Wyger, trespass. Pledge, Saer le Lorymer.

Ric. Maynard *v.* Ad. atte Clyve and Joan, his wife, debt.

Rob. le Herde de Briche *v.* Robert le Armurer, debt.

John Sampson *v.* Rog. le Wollemonger, debt.

Thos. le Smyth *v.* Godfrey Wolde, debt. Pledges, Wm. Gibbe, S. Lorymer.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. Simon and Jude [30th Oct.]

Essoigns.

John Waryn, attorney of Joan, wid. of Peter de Aston, executrix of her late husband, *v.* Thos. Baynard, Knt., by Ric. Sparling

Hy. Osekyn *v.* Sim. Kervill, debt, by John Auntrous.

Ric. le Skriveyn *v.* Walt. le Cuppere, trespass, by John Philippe.

The same *v.* same Walter and Emma, his wife, by Ric. Clericus.

John le Mareschal *v.* John Pegon, by Saer le Lorymer.

Walt. Crawestrate *v.* Ric. Packe, by John atte Watere.

Ric. Maynard *v.* Ad. atte Clyve and Joan, his wife, by Warm. atte Welle.

In mercy for licence to come to terms:

Edm. le Skynner and John de Fordham, trespass.

Adam Grom and Geof. Donnyng, debt.

Rob. le Armurer and Rob. le Herde de Briche, debt.

Sim. Body and Barth. le Driver, covenant.

Custance Reynold and Alice Hankyn, debt.

John Petytjon and Walt. de Okele, debt.

Wm. Pakke and Wm. s. of Rog. Deyer, debt. Pledge, J. Lucas.

Geoffr. Wolde and Thos. le Smyth, debt.

Adam de Wyston for not prosecuting Maur. le Coupere, debt. In mercy.

Robert le Armurer for contempt to the Bailiffs. Paid fine.

[Burgess Admitted.]

John de Scotland entered the Burgage, taking the oaths, paying the fine 10*sh.*, and finding pledges, Tho. de Naunton, William Graunger, Ric. Packe, and John Algod.

Custance Chaundeler appeared against Prisca le Mereseye, who was distrained by a piece of woollen cloth. A day given.

Distraint ordered on Rog. le Taillour to reply to Ad. de Wytleseye, chaplain.
Ric. de Suttherey for not prosecuting Rob. le Arwesmyth, trespass, in mercy.
John atte Assh, of Gt. Bromleye, complains of Wm. Johan, debt.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after All Saints' Day [6th Nov.]

Essoigns.

Wm. Johan *v.* John atte Assh, debt, by Ralph Ode.
Alice Melcote *v.* Wm. Alf in the Lee, debt. Pledge, J. de Bottingham.
John atte Water *v.* Elena la Cardester, debt.
Simon atte Asshe *v.* Rob. le Armurer.
Cristina la Lavender de Wykes *v.* Hy. and Alice Herteby for detention of one Curtepys.
Rog. Belch *v.* Rob. le Armurer, debt.

Membrane 3.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. Martin [13th Nov.].

Essoigns.

Henry Osekyn *v.* Simon Kervill, debt, by John atte Watere.
Prisca de Mereseye *v.* Custance Chaundeler, by John Waryn.
Ric. le Skriveyn *v.* Walter le Cuppere, by Nich. Walbeyn.
The same *v.* the same Walter and his wife, by Rich. Clericus.
John le Mareschal *v.* John Pegou, by Warin atte Welle.
Wm. Johan *v.* John atte Assh, of Gt. Bromley, by Ralph Ode.
Walter Crawestrate *v.* Ric. Pakke, by John atte Watere.

In mercy for coming to terms:
Wm. Alfythelee and Alice Melcote. Pledge, J. Bottingham.
Margery Gyle and John Raven, fuller.

A day given to Joseph Elyanor, plaintiff, and Ric. de Borham, chaplain.

Simon atte Assh appeared against Rob. le Armurer, and on the evidence of Saer le Lorymer, sub-bailiff, that Robert had been distrained by a "coverlyt" and two sheets, value 3*sh.*, it was ordered further to distrain him. Day given.

[Price of Pigs.]

Roger Belch appeared against the same Robert, who had been distrained by six little pigs, value 5*sh.* Day given.

John atte Watere appeared against Elena la Cardester, distrained by a brass plate, value 12*d.* Day given.

The case of Thos. Baynard, chev., and Joan, widow of Peter de Aston, was adjourned owing to the Jury summoned not appearing.

[Burgesses Admitted.]

The following entered the Burgage, each paying fine 10*sh.*:

Wm. atte Watere - - *Pledges*: Warin atte Welle, John Waryn, Thos. de Dedham, Thos. de Borham.

Robert Gode - - - *Pledges*: John de Rattlesden, Rob. de Colne, Ric. Packe, John Portherd.

Ric. le Smyth - - - *Pledges*: John Taverner, chapl., Ric. le Barbour, John Kyge, John Portherd.

Henry Wolfhey - - - *Pledges*: John Waryn, Rog. Belch, John Fynch, Adam atte Watere.

John de Coggfeshall], fuller - *Pledges*: Walter de Illeye, Philip Rokele, John Wyger, Thos. le Skynnere.

Katharine Fynch complains of John Dubbere, debt.

Pleas, Colchester

Wednesday before Feast of St. Katharine [22nd November].

Essoigns.

John Dubber *v.* Kath. Fynch, by John Lucas, John atte Watere.
Katherine Fynch *v.* John Dubber, by John atte Watere.

Pleas

Friday, Vigil of St. Katherine 24th Nov.]

Essoigns.

The same two.

Membrane 3 *verso.*

Hundred

Monday after Feast of St. Katherine [27th November.]

Essoigns.

John Waryn, attorney of Joan, widow of Peter de Aston *v.* Thos. Baynard, chev., by John atte Watere.
John atte Halle *v.* Philip Rokele, by Rich. Clericus.
Thos., son of John atte Halle, *v.* the same, by John Lucas.
Wm. Johan *v.* John atte Assh, of Gt. Bromleye, by Ralph Ode.
Hy. Osekyn *v.* Simon Kervill, by John atte Watere.
Adam Brounadam *v.* Hy. le Barbour, by Saer le Lorymer.
Katharine Fynch *v.* John Dubber, by John Lucas.
Walter le Cuppere *v.* Ric. le Skriveyn, by John atte Watere.
The same *v.* the same, by Ric. Sprot.
Emma, wife of the same, against the same, by John Lucas.

Thos. de Maydestan for unsound flesh forfeited. Paid fine.

Day given to:—

Walter le Cuppere and Emma, his wife, plaintiffs, and Ric. le Skriveyn, defendant.
John Pig, plaintiff, and John Wyger, defendant.
Ric. Packe, plaintiff, and Walter Crawestrate, defendant.

[Burgesses Admitted.]

Entered the Burgage, each paying fine 10*sh.*:—

John Drory - - - - - - *Pledges*: John Waryn, Clem. le Deyere, John Costyn, clerk, John Lucas.

Ric. Drory - - - - - - The same pledges.

Custance Chaundeler appeared against Prisca de Mereseye, who did not appear. Distraint ordered. Condoned because poor.

Rob. le Armurer attached by 6 little pigs, to reply to Rog. Belch. Day given.

[Price of Corn.]

Bakers' bread taken on Thursday after Feast of St. Katherine (30th November), by John atte Halle, John atte Park, John supra murum, Thos. Deynes, who say on their oath that a quarter of better corn sold for 4*sh.*, seconds 3*s.* 10*d.*, thirds 3*s.* 8*d.*

[Bakers Fined for Short Weight].

The following in mercy:—

Ric. Jullesome,	short in	¼*d.* wastell	20*d.*
Thos. Deynes	,,	¼*d.* simnel	12*d.*
John Hakeney	,,	same	12*d.*
John Wyger	,,	¼*d.* wheat loaf	2*sh.* 6*d.*
Ric. de Sutthreye	,,	same	2*sh.*
John supra murum	,,	same	4*sh.*
Wm. Bacoun	,,	½*d.* wheat loaf	7*sh.*
Wm. de Maldon	,,	same	7*sh.*
John atte Halle	,,	same	5*sh.*
Wm. Pegou	,,	same.	3*sh.*

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Conception of Blessed Virgin Mary [11th Dec.]

Essoigns.

John Waryn, attorney of Joan, wife of P. de Aston, executrix of Peter *v.* Tho. Baynard, chev., by Ric. Pakke.
John atte Halle *v.* Phil. Rokele, by Ric. Clericus.
Thos., his son, *v.* the same, by John atte Watere.

Thos. le Ferrour, of Walkyngham, attached to reply to Robert Payn, trespass, viz.: a common assault, alleged to have been committed opposite St. Nicholas's Church. The said Thomas pleading not guilty, an enquiry is ordered.

Membrane 4.

Hundred of Colchester, Monday after Feast of Conception of Blessed Virgin Mary [11th Dec.] (continued)

[About a Bread Bill].

Robert le Armurer was attached to reply to Simon atte Assh, who said that the said Robert owes him 2*s.* 10½*d.* for bread supplied from Easter to Michaelmas. Robert came and acknowledged that he owed 5½*d.*, and Simon may recover that sum. The residue of the debt Robert denies, and produces pledge, Hugh Trowe. A day granted, when judgment was given for plaintiff.

Complaints :—

Henry Osekyn *v.* John Lannual, debt. Pledges, Adam atte Welle, Saer le Lorymer. Defendant's pledge, John le Arwesmyth.

Ric. Scotard and Agnes, his wife, *v.* Hawyse Davy, debt. Pledge, Warin Parker.

Hen. le Barbour *v.* Laurence le Barbour, covenant. Pledge, John Belch.

Richard Packe, *v.* Walt. Crawestrate, trespass. Pledge, Rob. Edward.

Joan la Smythes, of Great Hokesleye, *v.* Will. Rogger and Margery, his wife, debt

Thos. in-the-Lane *v.* Wm. Rogger, debt. Pledges, Peter Capellanus, J. atte Watere

John de St. Botolph *v.* John Lannual, trespass. Pledge, J. Causton.

Hundred, Colchester

Feast of Circumcision [Monday, 1st Jan., 1341.]

Essoigns.

John Waryn, attorney of Joan, widow of P. de Aston, *v.* Thos. Baynard, chev., by Ad. Waryn.
John atte Halle *v.* Philip Rokele, by Jo. atte Halle.
Thos., son of the same, *v.* the same, by Saer le Lorymer.
John de la Rokele, by prayer of the parties.
John Lannual, *v.* Hy. Osekyn, by Ad. Waryn.

Day given to:—

John de la Rokele, plaintiff, and Hugh Trowe.
Simon Kervell, plaintiff, and Henry Osekyn.
John atte Assh, of Great Bromley, and Wm. Johan.

In mercy for coming to terms:—

John Lannual with Hy. Osekyn.
Laur. le Barbour, with Hy. le Barbour.
Thos. le Ferrour, of Walkyngham, with Rob. Payn.

Distraints ordered on:—

Hawise Davy to reply to Ric. Scotard.
Wm. Rogger and Margery, to reply to John la Smythes.
Wm. Rogger to reply to Thomas-in-the-Lane.
Prisca de Mereseye to reply to Custance Chaundeler.
Rob. le Armurer to reply to Rog. Belch.

Membrane 4 *verso.*

John Waryn complains of John de Wylleston, trespass Pledge, Ph le Tache.
Thos. Waryn also complains of the same.

Pleas, Colchester

Tuesday after Feast of Epiphany, 14th Edward III. [9th Jan.]

[Assault with a Sword.]

John de Wylleston pleads not guilty to two several charges of assault with sword on the King's highway, near Bereslane, in the Suburb, upon John Waryn, jun., and Thomas Waryn. Damages claimed in either case £20. Enquiries ordered.

Roger de Combere complains of Wm. le Say, webbe, trespass. Pledge, Wm. Brid. Defendant's pledge, John le Portherd.

Lawehundred

Essoign.

Walter Crawestrate *v.* Richard Packe, by Adam Waryn.

Days given to:—
John de la Rokele, plaintiff, and Hugh Trowe, defendant.
John atte Asshe, of Great Bromley, plaintiff, and William Johan, defendant.
Henry Osekyn for licence to come to terms with Simon Kervill, in mercy.

Essoigns.

De communi :—

John de Tenham, by Hy. Harold.
The Abbot of St. Osyth, by Ric. Clerk.
John Clerk, by John atte Watere.
Adam de Colne, by Thos. de Dedham.
Walter Stace, by Sayer le Lorymer.
Ralph Ode, by John Lucas.

[Burgesses Admitted.]

Entered the Burgage, each paying fine 10*sh.*:—

Thos. Bray, skinner - - - *Pledges*: Nich. le Chapman, Rob. de Colne, Ric. de Sutthreye, Ralph Sweyn.

Geoffrey le Webbe, of Dedham - *Pledges*: Thos. de Dedham, Ralph Sweyn, John Gyloun, Ric. le Baker.

[Sir Thomas Baynard *v.* Joan de Aston.]

The verdict of the Jury, viz., John Belch, Richard Payn, and others—in the case of Thos. Baynard, Knt,, *v.* Joan, widow of Peter de Aston, executrix of the latter, is that Warin atte Welle, executor named in the said Peter's will, never had administration of his goods, and that therefore the said Thomas may recover from the said Joan £7 6*s.* 8*d.*, and 100*sh.* damages, of which 20*sh.* for the Clerks, and the said Joan for the unjust detention, in mercy, 6*d.*

William le Say, webbe, pleads not guilty to a charge of assault and robbery in Eststrate, upon Roger le Comber. The parties have a day.

Membrane 5.

[Beer Sellers Fined.]

In mercy for selling beer against the assize, viz., a gallon for 1½*d.* (in addition to these named on *Membrane* 1, *verso*) :

Roger le Webbe's wife	Joan Springold
Wm. de Redyngg's wife	Alan de Neylond's wife
John de Tenham's wife	Juliana Kelye
Wm. Bassat's wife	Richard Curteys's wife

[Forestallers Fined.]

In mercy for forestalling (in addition to those in *Membrane* 1, *verso*) :

Avelina Smyth	Agnes Welk
Petronilla Guttere	Robert Cook
John Oldeman	

[Unsealed Measures at the Mills.]

In mercy for taking toll of corn in unsealed measures :

Robert Smart and John atte Halle, farmers of Middelmeln.
Ric. Pig, farmer of Northmelne.
Geoffrey de Lexden.
(In addition to those named on *Membrane* 1 *verso.*)

[Assaults.]

The Jury say:—

That John Pottere, baker, struck, etc., Margery Sayer in her house near La Chyler, who raised hue justly.
That Wm. Bassat struck, etc., Avelina Bogges at New Heath, who raised hue justly.
That John, son of Richard Angry, and John, son of Agnes Buk, struck, etc., Edmund, son of Robert de Hedleye, in Stokwellestret, who raised hue justly.

[Wine Seller Fined.]

That John Fynch sold wine, viz., a gallon at 6*d.*, contrary to the assize.

[Defaulters.]

That the following for not coming to do suit of court are in mercy:—

James de Bures for his messuage in Colchester.
John Baroun for land, late Edm. Bataylle's.
John, son of John Stratton, for his messuage in Colchester.
John Prounyng for his messuage in Northstrate.
Thos. f. Margarete de Langham for his tenement in Colchester.
Rob. atte Forde for land, etc., in Colchester.

Membrane 5 *verso.*

[Encroachment by the Abbot of St. John.]

They also present that the Abbot of St. John's dug and hollowed a ditch round a meadow called Grenstedmeade, where the Burgesses were accustomed to hold common with their animals, and enclosed it so that they cannot hold common there.

Simon f. Gilberti Aldyth complains of John Kyng, debt.
James Goodrich and Agnes, his wife, complain of Wm. Packe, debt.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Feast of Conversion of St. Paul [29th Jan.].

Essoign.

Hawyse Davy *v.* Ric. Scotard and Agnes, his wife, by John Phelippe.

Days given to:—

John de la Rokele, plaintiff, and Hugh Trewe, trespass.
John atte Assh, of Great Bromley, plaintiff, and Wm. Johan, debt.

ENQUIRY taken in case between Rog. le Comber, plaintiff, and Wm. de Say, webbe, defendant, trespass, etc., by Wm. Brid, John atte Borne, etc. who say that the said William struck the said Roger and carried off 4 iron combs and a lamp. Damages 3*d.*

Pleas, Colchester

Wednesday after Conversion of St. Paul [31st Jan.].

[Assault Opposite Crouchcherche.]

Thomas Makerel pleaded not guilty to a charge of assault on Walter le Chapman, wounding him on the head with a stone, in the suburb opposite the Crouchcherche. Enquiry ordered.

Verdict at next Hundred against Thos. Makerel.

Philip le Wrighte complains of Thos. Deynes, debt.

Adam le Grom complains of Ad. le Melner. Pledge, Martin le Webbe.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday before Feast of St. Valentine [12th Feb.].

Essoigns.

Hawyse Davy *v.* Ric. Scotard and Agnes, his wife, debt, by Wm. de Staneweye.
Philip le Wrighte *v.* Thos. Deynes, by Ric. Clericus.

Adam le Grom for not prosecuting Ad. le Melner, in mercy, 3*d.*

Wm. Johan for licence to come to terms with John atte Asshe, of Great Bromley, debt

Day given to Philip Rokele, plaintiff, and John atte Halle, defendant, trespass.

Distraints ordered on :—

Thos. Deynes, to reply to Philip le Wrighte, debt.

Wm. Roger and Margery, his wife, to reply to John la Smythes, of Great Horkesleye.

The same to reply to Thomas in-the-lane.

Priscilla de Merseye to reply to Custance Chaundeler.

["Le Oldelond."]

John Solers came before the Bailiffs and surrendered into their hands a place with houses built on it at Le Oldelond, within the walls near the place of Ralph Sweyn, to the use of Agnes Miles, John her son, and Margery, sister to John, who had seisin. Pledge, J. Baker, cobbler.

Membrane 6.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. Matthias, 15th Edward III. [26th Feb.].

Essoigns.

Hawise Davy *v.* Richard and Agnes Scotard, by Ric. Clericus.
Isabella Hereward *v.* Ric. Maynard, by John atte Watere.

Wm. Packe was distrained by a barrel of "strangsmere," price 1 mark, to reply to James and Agnes, his wife, but would not justify, etc. To be kept till next hundred, etc. (The same at next court, *Membrane* 6.)

[Burgess Admitted].

William Crabbe entered the Burgage. Pledges, Ralph Knght, John Edward, William Cook, and Warin Parker. Fine on entry, 10*sh.*

Day given to John de la Rokele, plaintiff, and Hugh Trewe, defendant, trespass.

Thos. Deynes was attached by a brass plate, val. 18*d.*, to reply to Philip le Wrighte, debt. To be kept till next Hundred. (The same at next court, *Membrane* 6.)

Day given to Philip Rokele, plaintiff, and John atte Halle, defendant, trespass (and at court on *Membrane* 6 *verso*).

Ordered to levy from the goods of Joan, widow of Peter de Aston, £7 6*s.* 8*d.*, and 100*s.* damages, which Thomas Baynard, Knt., recovered in court by judgment (and at next courts, *Membrane* 6, *Membrane* 6 *verso*, *Membrane* 7, *Membrane* 7 *verso*).

Distraint ordered on Wm. Rogger and Margery, his wife, to reply to John la Smythes, of Great Horkesleye, debt (and at next courts, *Membrane* 6, *Membrane* 6 *verso*).

Distraint ordered on the same to reply to Thomas in-the-Lane, debt (and at next courts *Membrane* 6, *Membrane* 6 *verso*).

John atte Hyde complains of John Caudevayn. Pledges for prosecution, Adam de Colne and John atte Watere.

Walter le Wrighte complains of Hugh atte Style, trespass. Pledges for prosecution, Adam de Colne and John atte Watere.

Hundred

Monday, Feast of St. Gregory [12th March].

Essoign.

Isabella Hereward and Richard Maynard, debt, by Ric. Clericus.

John atte Halle for licence to come to terms with Philip Rokele, trespass. In mercy.

Day given to John de la Rokele, plaintiff, and Hugh Trewe, defendant, trespass.

[Price of Malt.]

Hawise Davy was attached to reply to Richard and Agnes Scotard, who say that the said Hawise owes them 16*d.*, viz., 10*d.* for two bushels of malt, and 6*d.* for beer. Hawise denies that she bought any malt or owes them anything. Defendants' pledges, W. de Staneweye and Nicholas Waweyn. Day given.

John Gernoun, chaundeler, complains of Thos. Baynard, Knt., and Roger, his son, for debt. Pledges, John Solers and J. Lucas.

Saer de Donyland complains of Thos. Deynes and Matilda, his wife, plea of covenant. Pledge, Alex. atte Watere. The defendants' pledges being Ralph Heued and J. Lucas.

Membrane 6 *verso.*

Hundred

Monday after Annunciation of Blessed Virgin Mary [26th March].

Essoigns.

Hawise Davy *v.* Ric. and Agnes Scotard, by Nich. Waweyn.
John Gernoun, chaundeler, plaintiff, *v.* Thos. Baynard, Knt., and Roger, his son, by Adam Waryn.
Isabella Hereward *v.* Ric. Maynard, by Ric. Clericus.

[Other Empty Places Leased.]

The Bailiffs and Commonalty leased to John Baker, cobbler, an empty place within the walls near Southgate, between the tenement lately Wm Coverour's and the stone wall. Rent, 3*d.*

They also lease to Robert Basse, jun., an empty place in Southstrate, to hold at a rent of 2*d.*

[Burgess Admitted.]

John Bertelet, of Snapes, entered the Burgage. Pledges, Adam de Colne, Thomas de Caunterbery, Wm. de Okele, and Nich. Payn. Fine on entry, 10*sh.*

[Alleged Assault.]

John Lyhtfoot was attached to reply to Agnes Morice, trespass, viz., that he, in a place in the town, called Feringgeshawe, struck and chased her in the King's way till she came opposite Thos. Bysonth's tenement in the suburb, and struck her again with an "ulneyard."

The said John denying the charge, an enquiry was ordered.

Ordered to distrain Prisca de Meresye to reply to Custance le Chaundeler, debt.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday, the Morrow of Close of Easter [16th April].

Essoigns.

John Lyhtfoot *v.* Agnes Morice, trespass, by Rich. Clericus.
Hawise Davy *v.* Ralph and Agnes Scotard. Pledge, Nich. Waweyn.
Thos. Deynes *v.* Philip le Wrighte, by Thos. de Dedham.
Rob. Bosse *v.* John de Coggeshale, trespass, by John atte Watere.

Hugh Trewe, for licence to come to terms with John de la Rokele, in mercy.

John Gernoun, chaundeler, for not prosecuting Thos. Baynard, Knt., and Roger, his son, debt, in mercy, but condoned.

[Price of Wool.]

Isabella Hereward, charged by Richard Maynard with a debt of 7*sh.*, being a balance of 18*sh.*, the price of 6lbs. of great wool, of which she paid 11*sh.* Denies the debt, and finds pledges, Ad. Waryn and J. Lucas. Day given.

Arnulph Alfhey, of Fordham, John Kyge, of Colchester, Robert Gilemyn, of Grensted, and Wm. le Gardiner, of Colchester, came into court and acknowledged that they are jointly and severally held to John, Abbot of St. John's, in 26*sh.* 8*d.*, to be paid on the days mentioned.

Still ordered to levy on the goods of Joan Aston as before (and on *Membrane* 7).

Ordered to distrain Thos. le Smyth to reply to Matthew Rolf, debt.

Membrane 7.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday in Whitsun Week [28th May].

Essoigns.

John Ferthing *v.* Matilda Broun, trespass, by Alex. atte Watere.
Agnes, his wife, *v.* the same, by John atte Watere.
John Buk *v.* John Hereward, by John atte Watere.
Thos. de Leycestre in the King's service *v.* John atte Hyde, skinner, by Alex. atte Watere.

[Quay at New Hythe.]

Richard le Barbour, of Colchester, in presence of the Bailiffs, surrendered all his "kaya" with houses built upon it at New Heath, which was late Thos. de Dovercourt's, which he held from the Commonalty by service of 3*sh.* 10*d.*, to the use of John Belch, of Colchester, who received possession, and paid fine for entry, 2*sh.*

[8*d.* for Two Days' Work.]]

Thomas Deynes attached to reply to Philip le Brighte, who claims 8*d.* for work done n constructing a pair of steps to his cellar, for which work the said Thomas contracted to pay him 8*d.* (2 days' work). The said Thomas denies the debt, and. finds pledges, J. Lucas and J. Wyger. They have a day.

Thos. de Leycestre pleads not guilty to a charge of assault on John atte Hyde, skinner, in the market place opposite St. Runwald's Church. Enquiry ordered.

John le Lyndraper pleads not guilty to a charge of assault on John Hereward, in the house of Stephen le Cock in Stokwellestreet. Enquiry ordered.

[Assault].

The Special Jury, Henry Marchaunt, John Boyn, etc, find John Lyhtfot guilty of an assault on Agnes Morice, who may recover damages 3*d.*

Robert Bosse for liberty to come to terms with John de Cogg', fuller, in mercy.

Thos. le Smyth was attached by a brass pan, price 5*sh.*, to reply to Matthew Rolf, debt. Day given.

[Price of Corn].

The bread of the bakers was taken on Vigil of Holy Trinity [3rd June] by the Jury who say that a quarter of better corn sold for 3*sh.* 6*d.*, seconds for 3*sh.* 4*d.*, thirds for 3*sh.* 2*d.*

[Bakers Fined for Short Weight.]

Ric. Dollard, short in ¼*d.* wastell, 20*d.*	Fined 6*d.*
Thos. Deynes, short in ¼*d.* simnel, 3*sh.*	Fined 3*sh.* 4*d*
John Teyller, short in ½*d.* coketbread, 3*sh.*	Fined 6*d.*
John Wyger, short in ½*d.* wheat loaf, 4*sh.*	Fined 18*d.*
Wm. Pegon, short in ½*d.* wheat loaf, 3*sh.*	Fined 12*d.*
Ric. de Sutthreye, short in ½*d.* wheat loaf, 20*d.*	Fined 6*d.*
Ric. Jullesone, short in ¼*d.* wastell, 2*sh.* 6*d.*	Fined 2*sh.*
John Hakeneye, short in ¼*d.* simnel, 3*sh.*	Fined 12*d.*
Thos. Bakere, short in ¼*d.* wheat loaf, 2*sh.* 6*d.*	Fined 12*d.*
John s. of Rob. Baker, short in ¼*d.* wastell, 3*sh.*	Fined 12*d.*
Thos. Wygors, short in ¼*d.* simnel, 5*sh.*	Fined 18*d.*
Will. Bacoun, short in ¼*d.* wastell, 2*sh.*	Fined 18*d.*

Membrane 7 verso.

Hundred, Colchester

Feast of St. Barnabas [Monday, 11th June].

Essoigns.

John Feithyng *v.* Matilda Broun, by John Lucas.
Agnes, his wife, *v.* the same, by John Blunt.
John Kyge *v.* John Latoner, by John atte Watere.
Wm. Graunger v. Nich. de Sutton, parson of Great Wyggebergh, by J. Lucas.
Thos. Deynes *v.* Philip le Wrighte, debt, by John atte Watere.
John Buk *v.* John Hereward, by John atte Watere.

Thos. de Leycestre for licence to come to terms with John atte Hyde, skinner, in mercy.

[Burgesses Admitted.]

Entered the Burgage:—

Henry Craft - - - - - *Pledges*: John Belch, John Waryn, Ric. Payn, and Rob. Edward.

John Broun, sailor - - - *Pledges*: Roger Belch, John de Tenham, John Wyger, Hy. Craft.

Fine on entry, in each case, 10*sh.*

John Chivaler for licence to come to terms with Rob. Pricke, debt, in mercy.

Wm. White for licence to come to terms with Beatrice de Critele. Paid N. Waweyn.

Ric. Enosing acknowledged before the Bailiffs that he is bound to John Nichole de Sancto Edmundo in cxiiiis., due on St. Stephen's day [26th December].

Ordered John atte Watere and Nichs. Waweyn, sub-bailiffs, to levy from the goods of Joan, widow of Peter de Aston, £7 6*s.* 8*d.* recovered in court.

John Lytelbery complains of Wm. Lyndraper. Pledge, John atte Hyde, skinner.

Cristina Napelef complains of Peter and Avice Crounneland. Pledge, Warin Parker.

John Cosyn, of Donylond, complains of Hy. Osekyn. Pledge, J. Baker.

Cristina Pygaz complains of John Wythe Briddes, and Alice, his wife. Pledge, Warin Parker.

Hundred, Colchester

Morrow of Nativity of St. John Baptist [Monday, 25th June].

Essoigns.

Thos. Deynes *v.* Philip le Wrighte, by John atte Watere.
John Buk *v.* John Hereward, by John atte Watere.
John Kyge, *v.* Joan le Latoner, by the same.
John and Alice Withe Briddes *v.* Cristina Pigaz, by the same and Nich. Waweyn.
Henry Osekyn *v.* John Cosyn, of Donylond, by Nich. Waweyn.
John Ferthyng *v.* Matilda Broun, by John atte Watere.
Agnes, wife of the same, *v.* the same, by Ric. Clericus.
Matilda Broun *v.* John Ferthyng and Agnes, his wife, by Nich. Waweyn.
Wm. Graunger *v.* Nich. de Sutton, parson of Great Wyggebergh, by Nich. Waweyn.

John Hereward for not prosecuting John Buk, in mercy, and for not prosecuting John Lyndraper, also in mercy.

Membrane 8.

The same Hundred Court [25th June].

Peter Crounnelond and Avice, his wife, attached by a "Baunkere" and a "Mensale," to reply to Cristina Napelef, will not justify themselves. Therefore, etc., to next court.

Thos. le Smyth for licence to come to terms with Matthew Rolf, in mercy.

[Forestalling with Salt Fish.]

Wm. Bassat, Wm. Hydman, and Agnes, his wife, Juliana Kelye, Petronilla Lodman, and Matilda, wife of Ric. Spakeman, were charged by the Bailiff with forestalling with salt fish at break of day at Heth [Hythe]. They throw themselves on the mercy of the commonalty, are admitted and pay fine, 5*s.* 8*d.*

Still ordered to distrain Wm. Lyndraper to reply to John Lytelbery, for debt.

Geoffrey de Throstelford entered the Burgage and finds pledges, Warin atte Welle, John Waryn, John Lache, and Wm. Prentiz. Fine, on entry, 10*sh.*

Complaints :—

Wm. de Wynchestre, of Adam le Taillour, trespass. Pledges for prosecution, John de Causton, Nich. Waweyn. The defendant's pledge being Thomas le Skynner.

John atte Noke, of John Torold, trespass. Pledge, Adam de Colne, the defendant's pledges being John Baker, John Swayn.

John Pygaz and Cristina, his wife, of John and Alice Wythe Briddes, trespass. Pledge Warin Parker.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. Thomas [9th July].

Essoigns.

Hy. Osekyn *v.* John Cosyn, of Donylond, by Nich. Waweyn.
John Kyge *v.* Joan la Latoner, by John atte Watere.
Adam le Taillour *v.* Wm. de Wynchestre, by the same.
John Torold *v.* John atte Noke, by John Sweyn.
Thos. Deynes *v.* Philip le Wrighte, by John atte Watere.

Abraham Fullo for licence to come to terms with Geoffrey Bayes, in mercy.

[Alleged Assault with a "Shavyngknyf."]

At AN ENQUIRY taken by order of the Bailiffs by Wm. Brid, John de Leycestre, etc., jurors, concerning several trespasses, it is found that Philip Rokele raised hue unjustly on Wm. Graunger and John atte Park, collectors of tax assessed in Estward for the Wodesende, because they took a distraint on the said Philip for his tax. Also that Henry Marchaunt raised hue unjustly on Ralph Sweyn, and John Kyge, collectors of the said tax in Southward for the same reason. Also that Robert le Coteler raised hue justly on Thos. le Chaloner, who struck the said Robert with a knife, etc. Also that John le Cobeler raised hue justly on Barth. Gerard, at New Heath, who wounded him with a "shavyngknyf." Also that Alice Paste struck and drew blood from Cristina Pygas in the market place, who raised hue justly, etc. All in mercy.

[Tenement at New Hythe.]

Elias le Herde, of Wyvenho, in presence of the Bailiffs, surrendered his tenement at New Heath, which was Geoffrey Donnyng's, held by service of 4*d.* yearly, to the use of Henry Craft, who had seisin, paying fine on entry, 6*d.*

John Wythe Briddes and Alice, his wife, were attached by a round bowl, another bowl and a brass plate, price 2*sh.*, to reply to John Pygas and Cristina, his wife. A day given to the next Hundred, etc. (Also *Membrane* 8 *verso.*)

Membrane 8 *verso.*

William de Brome complains of John le Herde de Leyre, plea of covenant.

Pleas

Monday before the Feast of St. Margaret [16th July].

Essoign.

Alice, wife of John Wythe Briddes, *v.* John Pigas and Cristina, his wife, trespass, by Warin atte Welle.

[Cheeses 3d. each.]

John le Herde, of Leyre, was attached to reply to William de Brome, who stated that the said John agreed to sell him twelve cheeses, weighing half a wey, price 3d. each, but did not keep the agreement. John acknowledges that he broke the covenant, and it was decided that William recover damages.

Wm. de Wynchestre appeared against Adam le Taillour on plea of trespass. J. atte Watere, sub-bailiff, witnessing that Adam has nothing in his bailiwick by which he can be attached, it is ordered to take the said Adam to answer the plea against the next hundred.

Adam le Sowehaler complains of Wm. atte Thorne, debt. Pledges, John Lache, Henry Osekyn. Defendant's pledges, Richard de Suthereye, J. atte Watere.

Wm. de Brome complains of Robert le Armurer, debt. Pledges, Nich. le Wrighte, J. atte Watere.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. Mary Magdalen [23rd July].

Essoigns.

John Terold *v.* John atte Noke, trespass, by John Sweyn.
Hy. Osekyn *v.* John Cosyn, of Donylond, by Nich. Waweyn.
Alice, wife of John Wythe Briddes, *v.* John Pygas and Cristina, his wife, by Joseph Elyanor.

[A Horse, Price 12s.—Cost of a Journey to London.]

Wm. atte Thorne was attached to reply to Adam le Sowehaler, who claims 12*sh.* for the hire of a horse price 12*sh.* to take him from Colchester to London for 16*d.*, and to bring back the horse to the said Adam at Colchester within two days. The said William did not bring it back, and refuses to pay the 12*sh.*, and denies that he hired any horse on such conditions. An enquiry is ordered.

John Kyge pleads not guilty to an assault on Joan la Latoner at Cheldewellefeld, in the suburb. An enquiry ordered.

Ordered to distrain Robert le Armurer to reply to Wm. de Brome, debt.

Margery la Wheler complains of Sabina, widow of Walter le Walssh, trespass.

Complaints:—

Thomas atte Gate, of Elicia la Cardestere, trespass. Pledges for prosecution, John Dasze and N. le Chapman. The defendant (here called Elena) found pledges, Ralph Sweyn and J. atte Watere.

Stephen le Cock complains of John Oldeman, trespass. Pledges, John Lache, Henry Osekyn. Defendant finds pledges, John Kyng, J. atte Watere.

The same complains of Wm. Lyndraper, debt. Pledge, Ralph le Baker. Defendant's pledges, Geoffrey de Throstelford.

Alice Hankyn complains of Wm. de Peidon, debt. Pledges, J. Baker and J. Kent. The defendant's pledges, J. Portherd and N. Waweyn.

Roger le Taillour complains of Michael Merveillous, trespass. Pledge, W. Hory. Defendant's pledge, John Vynour.

John Kyge complains of Joan Latoner, trespass.

Membrane 9.

Hundred

Monday after Feast of St. Peter ad Vincula [6th August]

Essoigns.

Wm. Lyndraper *v.* Stephen le Cook, debt, by John Ferthyng.
John Torold *v.* John atte Noke, by John Sweyn.
John Oldeman *v.* Stephen le Cook, by Nich. Waweyn.

Wm. de Peldon *v.* Alice Hankyn, by Rich. Clericus.
Michael Merveillous *v.* Roger le Taillour, by John Vynour.
John Wythe Briddes *v.* John Pygas and Cristina, his wife, by John Lucas.
Alice, his wife, *v.* the same, by John Baker.
Thos. atte Gate v. Elicia la Cardestere, by John Phelipps.
Sabina widow of Wm. le Walssh, *v.* Margery la Wheler, by Richard Clericus.

Thos. Deynes for licence to come to terms with Philip le Wrighte, in mercy.

[The Claim for Hire of a Horse.]

ENQUIRY taken between Adam le Sowehaler, plaintiff, and Will atte Thorne, on plea of debt, by John Kent, Robert Sayer, etc., concerning the hire of a horse, finds that Adam le Sowehaler's complaint is a false one, and is, therefore, in mercy. William is acquitted.

John la Latoner for his false complaint *v.* John Kyge, of trespass, is in mercy.

Still ordered to distrain Rob. le Armurer to reply to Will. de Brome.

[St. Helen's Well.]

The Bailiff and Community lease to Wm. de Hadleye an empty place near the well (puteus) of St. Helen, which was John de Cogge'[shall's]. fuller. Rent 2*d.* yearly at Hokeday.

Margery la Wheler *v.* Sabina, widow of Walter le Walssh, in mercy.

Henry Osekyn for licence to come to terms with John Osekyn, of Donylond, in mercy.

John atte Noke appeared against John Torold, trespass, who did not appear, his pledges to be distrained, and he be placed by great distraint, etc.

Day given to Matilda Broun, plaintiff, and John Ferthing, and Agnes, his wife.

Pleas, Colchester

Wednesday after Feast of St. Peter ad Vincula [8th August].

Essoigns.

John Wythe Briddes *v.* John and Cristina Pigas, by John Lucas.
Alice, his wife, by John Blunt.
Michael le Merveillous *v.* Rog. le Taillour, by John Vynour.

Agnes de Ingelwode complains of John Stubbere, trespass. Pledges, J. de Bottingham, J. atte Water. Ordered to distrain the said John, and at next court.

Pleas

Wednesday after Feast of St. Laurence [15th August].

Agnes atte Forde complains of Rob. le Armurer, debt. Pledges, Rob. atte Forde, Roger Hotfot.

Hundred

Monday after Feast of St. Bartholomew [27th August].

Essoigns.

Wm. de Peldon *v.* Alice Hankyn, by Richard Clericus.
Michl. le Merveillous *v.* Rog. le Taillour, by John Phelippe.
John Oldeman *v.* Stephen le Cook, by Nich. Waweyn.
Joan la Latoner *v.* John Kyge, by John Lucas.

Roger le Taillour for not prosecuting Michael le Merveillous, in mercy. Condoned because he is poor.

Ordered to place by great distraint John Torold, to reply to John atte Noke, trespass.

Stephen le Cook appeared against Wm. Lyndraper, who did not appear. His pledges to be distrained, and he to be placed by great distraint.

John and Cristina Pygas, by J. atte Watere, appeared against John Wythe Briddes and Alice, his wife, who did not appear. Pledges to be distrained, etc.

Ordered to distrain Robert le Armurer to reply to William de Brome.

Day given to Matilda Broun, plaintiff, and John Ferthing and Agnes, his wife.

Still ordered to distrain Robert le Armurer to reply to Agnes atte Forde.

Membrane 9 verso.

HUNDRED, CONTINUED.

Elicia le Cardestere pleads not guilty to a charge of assault alleged by Thomas atte Gate to have been made on him in Wyrstrate. An enquiry ordered.

A cross charge was also made and denied, and an enquiry ordered.

Pleas, Colchester

MONDAY AFTER BEHEADING OF ST. JOHN BAPTIST [3RD SEPT.].

[A STICK CALLED WATERCRECHE].

John Stubbere pleaded not guilty to a charge of assault, alleged to have been made on Agnes de Ingelwode in Stanewellestrate, with a certain stick called "Watercreche." A day is given.

Josep Elyanore complains of Simon Kernill, debt. Pledges, Hugh Trewe, J. atte Watere. The defendant's pledges being Adam Sowehaler, Alex. atte Watere.

Adam le Sowehaler complains of William atte Leycestre. Pledge, Adam le Furbour, the said William's pledges being John Gyloun and John Algood.

Hundred, Colchester

MONDAY AFTER NATIVITY OF THE VIRGIN [10TH SEPT.].

Essoigns.

Elicia la Cardestere *v.* Thos. atte Gate and Margery, his wife, wherefore an inquisition, by Joseph Elyanore.
The same against Thos. atte Gate, wherefore an inquisition, by Richard Clericus.
Joan la Latoner *v.* John Kyge, by John atte Watere.
Thos. de Leycestre *v.* Geoffrey le Taillour, by John Lucas.
Wm. de Peldon *v.* Alice Hankyn, by Rich. Clericus.

Distraints ordered on:—

John Torold to reply to John atte Noke.
Robert le Armurer to reply to Wm. de Brome.
The same to reply to Agnes atte Forde.
Simon Kernill to reply to Joseph Elyanore.

Wm. Lyndraper was distrained by salt flesh, price 4d., to reply to Stephen Cook. Further distraint ordered.

The Jury summoned to try the case of Agnes de Ingelwode *v.* John Stubbere did not appear, and a further day was given to the parties.

[Alleged Assault—Question of a Woman's Husband.]

John Ferthing and Agnes, his wife, in answer to a charge of assault in the marketplace, opposite St. Runwald's church, on Matilda Broun, damages claimed 40*sh.*, say that they are not to be responsible to the said Matilda, because she has a husband in "full life," without whom they are not bound to reply, and claim judgment. Matilda says that she has no husband, and is prepared to prove, etc. An enquiry is ordered.

Wm. Seffrey complains of Will. Sorel, trespass. Pledges, Philip Rokele and J. Marchaunt. Distraint ordered.

Pleas, Colchester

Wednesday after Nativity of Blessed Virgin Mary [12th Sept.].

Essoign.

Thomas de Leycestre *v.* Geoffrey le Taillour, debt, by Nichs. Waweyn.

Pleas, Colchester

Saturday, the Morrow of the Exaltation of Holy Cross [15th Sept.].

Essoigns.

The same T. de Leycestre as above.
Wm. Seffrey *v.* Wm. Sorel, by Wm. Nichole.
Wm. Sorel *v.* Wm. Seffrey, by Wm. de Lesford.

Membrane 10.

Still the Hundred on Monday after Nativity of Blessed Virgin Mary [10th Sept.].

Wm. atte Thorne was attached to reply to the Bailiff that whereas John atte Watere, subbailiff, had taken a certain distraint on him at the suit of Ad. le Sowehaler, the said William took by force the said distraint, whereon John raised hue. William denies the charge, and an enquiry is ordered. He finds pledges to come up for judgment, Wm. Cook and J. Baker.

Pleas, Colchester

Monday after Exaltation of Holy Cross [17th Sept.].

Thos. de Leycestre was attached to reply to Geoffrey le Taillour, who claims 8*d.*, the residue of a sum of 16*d.* for making a robe "partita" of cloth. Thomas says that he owes nothing, and finds pledges, J. Gyloun and J. Lucas.

Richard Packard for licence to come to terms with John le Chapman, in mercy.

[Price of Corn.]

The bakers' bread was taken and weighed on Friday, Feast of St. Matthew [2nd Sept.], by the oath of John atte Park, Thos. Deynes, Richard de Sutthreye, John supra murum who say that a quarter of better corn was sold the day before in Colchester market for 3*s.* 6*d.* Seconds for 3*s.* 4*d.* Thirds for 3*s.* 2*d.*

[Bakers Fined for Short Weight.]

The following were short in the farthing wastell, viz.:—

Thos. Deynes, 8*s*.
Thos. Baker, ½ mark.
John supra murum, ½ mark.
John Wyger, ½ mark.
John, son of Rob. Baker, ½ mark.
John Pottere, Baker, 5*sh*.
Wm. de Maldon, 4*sh*.
Wm. Pegon, 7*sh*.
John atte Halle, 5*sh*.
John Roger, ½ mark.

Short in the farthing coket:—

John supra murum, 4*sh*.
Wm. Bacoun, ½ mark.
John Wyger, ½ mark.

Short in halfpenny coket:—

Thos. Deynes, 10*s*. 6*d*.
John Wyger, 13*s*. 8*d*.
Ric. de Suthreye, 18*s*.
John atte Park, 15*s*.
Wm. Pegon, 5*s*.
Thos. Bygeys, 23*s*.
John Pottere, baker, 19*s*.
Thos. Deynes, 2 marks.

Short in the farthing simnel:—

John Wyger, 8*s*.
Thos. Deynes, 10*s*.
Ric. Jullesone, 7*s*.
John Hakeney, 10*s*. 6*d*.
John Roger, 5*s*.
Thos. Baker, 4*s*.
John f. Rob. Baker, ½ mark.
John Teyller, Baker, 6*s*.
Wm. Pegon, 8*s*.
John Pottere, Baker, 6*s*.
Thos. Bygers, ½ mark.

Short in the farthing wheat loaf:—

Thos. Deynes, ½ mark.
John Wyger, 10*s*. 8*d*.
John supra murum, 9*s*. 8*d*.
John atte Park, 7*s*.
Rich. de Sutthereye, 5*s*.
Thos. Bygers, ½ mark.
John Roger, 15*s*.
Ric. Jullesone, 19*s*.
John Wyger, 19*s*.

John Waryn complains of Geoffrey Donnyng, debt. Pledges, Ad. Waryn, J. Waryn, jun. Defendant's pledges, John Musse and J. atte Water.

Complaints:—

Ric. Scotard *v.* Rob. le Somenour. Pledge, J. Baker.

The said Robert being attached by a horse and saddle, price 8*sh*, finds pledge to reply, etc.

Walter de Illeye *v.* Martin le Soutere. Pledges, James Sadeler, J. atte Watere.

Henry de Marham *v.* Henry Hurteby, trespass. Pledges, John Ferthyng, J. Lucas. Defendant's pledges being John Taillour, J. Springold.

Wm. de Wynchestre complains of Walter, the boy [garcio] of John Adburghton, trespass. Pledge, J. Causton.

Membrane 10 *verso.*

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. Matthew [24th Sept.].

Essoigns.

John Ferthyng *v.* Matilda Broun, trespass, by Alex. atte Watere.
Agnes, his wife, *v.* same, by Richard Clericus.
Simon Kernill *v.* Joseph Elyanore, by John Phelippe.

Henry Hurteby *v.* Hy. de Marham, by Nich. Waweyn.
Elicia la Cardestere *v.* Tho. atte Gate, and Margery, his wife, by Joseph Elyanore and Richard Clericus.
Geoffrey Donnyng *v.* John Waryn, by John atte Watere.
Robert le Somenour *v.* Ric. Scotard, by Rich. Clericus.
Wm. Sorel *v.* Wm. Seffrey, by J. atte Watere.

Thos. de Leycestre for licence to come to terms with Geoffrey le Taillour, in mercy. Pledge, J. Gyloun.

Walter, garcio of J. de Adburghton for licence to come to terms with Wm. de Wynchestre. Pledge, T. Nauton.

The said Walter for trespass against the peace, pays fine, 6*d.*

Wm. Seffrey for not prosecuting Wm. Sorel, in mercy, and is pardoned.

Alice Hankyn appeared against Wm. de Peldon, who did not appear. His pledges therefore to be distrained, etc.

[Price of Herring.]

John Oldeman attached to reply to Stephen le Cook, who claims 12*d.* for 3 barrels of white herring, bought of Stephen for 14*sh.*, of which he paid 13*sh.*, and refuses to pay the residue 12*d.* The said John denies the debt, and finds pledges, John Park, etc.

THE VERDICT OF THE JURY, viz., John le Chaloner, Wm. Alfrychele, etc., in the case of Agnes de Ingelwod and John Stubbere, above reported, is that Agnes recover 20*d.* damages.

Wm. atte Thorne for trespass and contempt to the Bailiffs, etc., in mercy.

Pleas

Wednesday after Feast of St. Matthew [26th Sept.].

[Bakers Guilty of Short Weight.]

John Wyger, Wm. Bacoun, and John atte Park, bakers, found to be short in their weight of bread, found bail to appear before the bailiffs to receive judgment on Michaelmas Day, viz., for J. atte Park, Wm. atte Park and Nichs. Waweyn; for J. Wyger, J. atte Park and Ric. de Suthereye; and for Wm. Bacoun, John supra murum and Rich. de Suthereye, on which day J. Wyger, J. atte Parke and Wm. Bacoun did not appear. The said bail therefore in mercy.

Thos. Deynes, found short in weight of bread, did not appear, ordered to be taken before Bailiffs for judgment.

Adam le Furbour complains of John le Clerk, of Dunmow. Pledges, Geoff. le Taillour, John atte Water. The subbailiff, J. Lucas, is ordered to attach the said John, etc.

End of Roll VI.

NOTE.—There are no Rolls for the next four years.

Roll VII.

Membrane 1.

Roll of Pleas of the Borough of Colchester.

From Michaelmas to Michaelmas, 19-20, Edward III. (1345-1346), in the time of WILLIAM DE HADLEYE and THOMAS DE DEDHAM, Bailiffs.

John Buk, tanner, complains of Augustine le Tanner, debt. Pledges, Henry Horsepet and Hugh Lucas. The said Augustine attached to reply to the same, found pledges, Alex. atte Watere and Wm. Prentys.

Ric. Packe complains of Wm. Godebold, trespass. Pledges, John Lache and Hugh Lucas. Defendant's pledges, Wm. Prentys and J. atte Watere.

John Tybbe complains of Simon Praunke, debt. Pledges, Alex. atte Watere and J. atte Watere.

Wm. Cokayne complains of Hugh le Parker, debt. Pledges, Ralph Sweyn and Hugh Lucas. The said Hugh was attached by a mare (jumentum), price 2*s.* 6*d.*, came into court and replied willingly.

John de Hareleye complains of John Roper of detention of a horse. Pledge, Warin atte Welle. Defendant's pledges, John Dyer and J. atte Watere.

Lawehundred

Monday after Feast of St. Michael, above year [3rd Oct., 1345].

Essoigns.

Thos. de Balton *v.* Henry, vicar of Ardeleye, by Hugh Lucas.
John Solers *v.* Edm. le Skynner, by John atte Watere.
Wm. Pottere *v.* Adam f. Stephani, by John atte Watere.
John Scotlond *v.* Henry Knot, by the same.
Augustine le Tanner *v.* John Buk, by Hugh Lucas.
John Clerkessone *v.* Will. Gille, debt, by John Blunt.
Robert le Turnour *v.* Ralph le Webbe, debt, by Hugh Lucas.
John de Hareleye *v.* John Roper, by Matthew f. Roberti.
John Tybbe *v.* Simon Prannke, by Adam de Colne.
John Roper *v.* John de Hareleye, by Adam Waryn.

Essoigns (*de communi*).

The Abbot of St. Osyth, by Richard Clericus.
James de Bures, by John Wauter, chaplain.
Richard Bradeway, by John Blunt.
The Abbot of St. John's, by Wm. de Ratlesden.
Prior of St. Bartholomew, by Warin Parker.
Prior of St. Cross Hospital, by Alex. atte Watere.
John de Bergholte, by William Okelee.
Henry Josias, by John atte Watere.
Henry atte Newelond, by Richard Blast.
John de Fordham, by Ralph Ode.
John atte Hyde, by Alex. atte Watere.
Richard de Danesey, by Adam de Colne.
Richard de Aldholte, chaplain, by Joseph Elyanor.

Juliana, widow of John Somer, for not coming to do suit for her tenement in Stokwelstrate, in mercy.

John Vynour, for licence to come to terms with Saer, vicar of Teye-ad-ulmos, debt, in mercy.

Day given to John de Lansele, plaintiff, and Wm. Pottere, defendant, debt.

Also to the same for trespass.

John Hogsach for licence to come to terms with John de Fordham, in mercy, by pledge of John atte Watere.

Edmund le Chaloner for licence to come to terms with John Plomer, in mercy. Paid Simon Lotoun.

Richard Packe for not prosecuting Wm. Godebold, trespass.

Day given to Richard Sparlyng, plaintiff, and Adam le Spycer, debt.

John Tybbe appears against Simon Praunke, for debt, the latter distrained by a horse, value 18*d.*, but that being insufficient, ordered to hold that, etc.

Ordered to distrain Richard Pig, to be at next court, to reply to Wm. Gille, debt.

Ordered to distrain John Lytelbery to reply to Wm. Gille.

The Farmer of the Town.—Farm, £35.]

John atte Halle, senior, Farmer of the Bailiffs and Commonalty, swore that he would collect or cause to be collected the customs and tolls belonging to the King and Commonalty of Colchester, that he will allow no one to go free who ought to pay nor take from any one who ought to go free, that no one shall share the said farm without the Bailiffs' assent, and that he will pay the said farm of £35 on Exaltation of Holy Cross Day [14th Sept.], or when ordered by the Bailiffs, and he finds pledges, Ralph Ode, Matthew f. Roberti, John de la Rokele, Roger Belch, Clement le Dyere, Richard de Sutthereye.

John de Wodhull in respect of fine for suit to be released to him till Michaelmas, in mercy, 6*d.*

John le Goldsymth for trespass, for which he was judged, throws himself on the mercy of the Commonalty, etc. Fine, 2*sh.*

Simon f. Johannis Russel for trespass, which he acknowledged, etc., finds pledges for good behaviour, viz., Alex. atte Watere, John Fynch, Adam de Colne, Rich. Dollard, John atte Forde, and John Abherhegg.

Membrane 1, *verso.*

John de Wiltesshire complains of Ric. le Delver, trespass. Pledges, Adam Waryn, John atte Watere. Richard ordered to be taken as he has nothing, etc.

Joseph Elyanor complains of Richard de Bathe, trespass. Pledges, John Parles, John atte Watere.

Pleas, Colchester

Wednesday after Michaelmas Day [5th October].

Essoigns.

Thos. de Balton *v.* Hen. Davy, vicar of Ardeleye, by Ric. Clericus.
Joseph Elyanore *v.* Ric. de Bathe, by Hugh Lucas.

Richard de Bathe attached by 2 brass plates, price 15*d.*, to reply to J. Elyanore, finds pledges, Rob. le Clerk and Richard Tate, and has a day.

Pleas, Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. Denis [10th Oct.].

[Price of Oats.]

Thos. de Balton in reply to charge by Hen. Davy, vicar of Ardley, of a debt of 13*s.* 4*d.* for 5 quarters of oats on Feast of St. Gregory [12th March], 11th Edward III., denies the debt. Day given.

Wm. le Fuller and John Hykeman pleaded guilty to a charge of common assault brought by Thos. le Fuller, and on a jury being sworn, viz., Nichs. Chapman, J. Raven, etc., they are found not guilty, and Thomas in mercy for the false complaint.

Alex. Norman complains of John de Waleden and Thomas Knyht, and finds no pledge, being poor. The defendant's pledges were Roger Costyn and Walter de Illeye.

Pleas, Colchester

Saturday after Feast of St. Denis [15th October].

Day given to Joseph Elyanor and Ric. de Bathe.

Thos. le Fuller complains of Wm. le Fuller and John Hykeman, trespass. Pledges, Adam Waryn, Ric. Tate.

Joseph Elyanor complains of Ric. Perold. Pledges, John Solers, John atte Watere.

[Price of Cows.]

The said Richard attached by 6 cows, price 40*sh.*, to reply, on which cows the Prior and Brethren of the Hospital of St. Mary Magdalen came and laid claim, and said they were theirs and not his, and they have a day to prove it, etc.

Pleas, Colchester

Friday, Feast of St. Kalixtus [14th Oct.].

Thos. Knyght and John de Waleden for licence to come to terms with Alex. Norman, trespass, in mercy, by pledge of Rog. Costyn.

John de Waledon and Thomas Knyht were found guilty by a Jury of committing an assault on Alex. Normon, opposite John Maydegod's tenement, and fined 6*d.*

Joseph Elyanor complains of Wm. de la Mote of detention of cattle. The sub-bailiff, John atte Watere, is ordered to cause the same cattle to be delivered to the said Joseph.

Wm. Napeleph, chaplain, and Nicholas de Colecestre, "medicus," executors of the will of John Bacoun, of Colchester, chaplain, complain of John Smyth, debt. Pledges, J. Elyanore, J. atte Watere.

The same complain of Thos. de Caunterbery and Wm. Ilcent, debt.

Walter Bacoun complains of John Algood, mercer, trespass. Pledges, John Boclond, John atte Watere.

Membrane 2.

LAWEHUNDRED CONTINUED.

[BEER-SELLERS FINED.]

The Jury present that the following sold beer contrary to the assize, viz., a gallon for 1½*d.*, and are in mercy.

And on m. 5 *v.*, 9 *v.*		Ric. de Suthereye's wife	And on m. 5 *v.*, 9 *v.*		Ric. Maynard's wife
,,	,,	Rog. Chaumberleyn's wife	,,	,,	Margery Baker
,,	,,	John Mentel's wife	,,	,,	Hen. Algod's wife
,,	,,	Thos. Fraunceys' wife Mary	,,	,,	Wm. Prentys's wife
,,	,,	Ric. le Barbour's wife	,,	,,	Wife of John Pottere, baker
,,	,,	John de Dedham's wife	,,	,,	John Tybbe's wife
,,	,,	Will Ilcent's wife	,,	,,	John Gest's wife
,,	,,	Ric. de Cofford's wife	,,	,,	Wm. le Cook's wife
,,	,,	John Wyger's wife	,,	,,	Agnes Naplef
,,	,,	wife of John Algod, mercer	,,	,,	Adam atte Watere's wife
,,	,,	Custance Chaundeler	,,	,,	Rob. de Colne's wife
,,	,,	Richard de Colne's wife	,,	,,	John atte Cherche's wife
,,	,,	John Soler's wife	,,	,,	John le Chapman's wife
,,	,,	Hugh le Taillour's wife	,,	,,	Ric. Pig's wife
,,	,,	Roger le Webbe's wife	,,	,,	Ric. Packe's wife
		Wm. Hory's wife			Thos. Spycer's wife
,,	,,	John de Fordham's wife	,,	,,	Ralph Knyht's wife
,,	,,	Mabel Glover	,,	,,	Hen. Josias's wife
,,	,,	Richard Dollard's wife	,,	,,	Alex. atte Watere's wife
,,	,,	John Russel's wife	,,	,,	Wm. Machoun's wife
		John Frere's wife	,,	,,	Gilbert Scarlat's wife
,,	,,	John Sale's wife	,,	,,	Rob. Edward's wife
,,	,,	Wm. de Maldon's wife			John Hunte's wife
		John Lucas's wife	,,	,,	Ralph Hefd's wife
,,	,,	Warin atte Welle's wife	,,	,,	John Fynch's wife
,,	,,	Ric. Dyngaribt's wife			Wm. Cook's wife
,,	,,	John Wyberd's wife	,,	,,	Master Wm Cocus
,,	,,	Ric. Syward's wife	,,	,,	John Boyn's wife
,,	,,	Walter de Illeye's wife	,,	,,	Thos. Skynner's wife
,,	,,	John Mareschal's wife	,,	,,	John atte Forde's wife
,,	,,	Wm. atte Parke, baker	,,	,,	Nich. le Chapman's wife
,,	,,	Hen. le Barbour's wife	,,	,,	Thos. atte Gate's wife
		Juliana Colles	,,	,,	Thos. Bysouth's wife
,,	,,	John Springold's wife	,,	,,	Wm. Cook's (mercer) wife
,,	,,	Alice Porters	,,	,,	Ralph Baldewyne's wife
,,	,,	Ralph Lovyn's wife	,,	,,	Ralph Sweyn's wife
,,	,,	Wife of John Algod, pelter	,,	,,	Emma de Brome
,,	,,	John Plomer's wife	,,	,,	Nich. le Wrighte's wife
,,	,,	Joan de Leyre	,,	,,	John Weston's wife
,,	,,	Thos. de Neuton's wife	,,	,,	Wm. Bacoun's wife
,,	,,	John Stokfissh's wife	,,	,,	John atte Halle's wife
,,	,,	John Rogger	,,	,,	Wm. Hodych's wife
,,	,,	Wm. Gille's wife	,,	,,	Rog. Belch's wife
,,	,,	Nich. le Herde's wife	,,	,,	Wm. Buk's wife

And on m. 5 *v.*, 9 *v.* Joan Brid
,, ,, John de Peldon's wife
,, ,, John Edward's wife

And on m. 5 *v.*, 9 *v.* John Tenham's wife
,, ,, Richard Payn
,, ,, John Kyge's wife

[Forestallers.]

They also present that the following were common forestallers of poultry, dairy, and fish, selling the same before time, and are therefore in mercy.

And on m. 5 *v.*, 9 *v.* John Gaudyn
,, ,, Avelina Smythes
,, ,, Ida Hotfot
,, ,, Agnes Welks
,, ,, Roger Somenour
,, ,, Thos. Draper's wife
,, ,, Nich. Smart's wife

m. 5 *v.*, 9 *v.* Wm. Ilsent
,, ,, John Cosyn's wife
,, ,, Katherine Pennes
,, ,, Joan Bodies al. Bodyes
Joan Brid
John Hust, jun.

[Obstructive Market Stalls.]

Also that the following have stalls standing outside their poias [stands] in the market whereby the road is narrowed, etc., in mercy.

John le Somenour
Avelina Smythes
Ida Hotfot
Agnes Welkes
Roger Somenour
Margery Shipman
Thos. Draper
Nich. Smart's wife
Wm. Ilcent
John, son of Walter Barber
John Mereweder
Rob. le Cook
John Kyng
Wm. Saltere
John Rady
Cecily Wyhtling
John Ferthyng
John Oldeman

[Excessive Tolls.]

That the following for taking excessive toll of corn beyond the assize are in mercy.

m. 5 *v.* John Wyger and Tho. Deynes, farmers of Northmelne.
John Stokfyssh, farmer of Middelmelne.
m. 5 *v.* Nich. Rogger and John f. Roberti, baker, farmers of Estmelne.
m. 5 *v.* John Pottere, Rich. Dollard, farmers of New Priory Mill.
m. 5 *v.* John Stokfyssh, farmer of Bournemelne.

[Wine-sellers.]

That John de Tenham sold 2 casks of wine contrary to the assise, viz., one gal for 5*d.* and another at 6*d.* In mercy.

That John Fynch sold one gallon cask at 5*d.* In mercy.

That Richolda, wife of Rich. de Cotford, sold two casks, viz, one gallon at 5*d.*, another at 6*d.* In mercy.

[Warden of Friars Minor Presented.]

That the Warden of Friars Minors, Colchester, by his carter, made a pit in the King's highway towards Heth, digging up sand there, viz, 60 cartloads. In mercy, and ordered to fill it up.

Wm. Buk, John Craft, John de Tenham, John Caperoun, and John Baker, for doing the same. In mercy.

[Prior of St. Botolph's.]

That the Prior of St. Botolph's, by his carters, dug clay in the King's highway, called Claystrate—30 cartloads—whereby, etc. Therefore in mercy.

John Caperoun for doing the same daily. In mercy.

[Common Scolds.]

That Alice de Kent and Matilda de Boxford are common scolds. To be attached.

[Chaplain Charged with Damaging the Town Wall.]

That Dom. John de Horkesleye, chaplain, broke a piece of the stone wall of Colchester, on le Bery, 21ft. long by 1½ft. broad, to the value of 6*d.*, and carried it off. In mercy.

[Encroachment.]

That Joan Brid made an encroachment on the King's way at New Heath, to increase his house. In mercy.

That Christina Danyel raised hue justly on John Bog in Southstrate, who assaulted her.

[River Bank Rights.]

That Wm. Portere holds a certain piece of land within his curtilage, which was of the common river bank of the town, which piece John de Lansele held of the said William, without licence of the Bailiffs.

That John le Chapman has a stinking rubbish heap open from his tenement in Whytfoteslane to the nuisance of the neighbours. In mercy.

7, *Membrane* 2, *verso.*

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. Luke [24th Oct.].

Essoigns.

John Solers *v.* Edm. le Skynner, trespass, by Hugh Lucas.
Thos. de Balton *v.* Hy. Davy, vicar of Ardeleye, by Ric. Clericus.
John Algod, mercer, *v.* Wm. Bacoun, by the same.
Wm. le Pottere *v.* Adam f. Stephani, by John atte Watere.
Augustine le Tanner *v.* John Buk, tanner, by Alex. atte Watere.
Simon le Delvere *v.* Ric. Packe, by Ric. Clericus.
John Roper *v.* John de Hareleye, detention of a horse, by John atte Watere.
Rob. le Turnour *v.* Ralph le Webbe, by Hugh Lucas.

In mercy:

John de Peldon for not prosecuting Wm. Foucher.
John de Hareleye for not prosecuting John Roper.
Wm. Gille for not prosecuting John Clerkesone and John Lytelbery.
Henry Knot, for licence to come to terms with John Scotland.

The Prior of Holy Cross, John de Bergholte, Ric. de Daneseye, Ric. de Aldholte, John atte Hyde, for not warranting their essoigns "de communi" and default of suit.

[Burgesses Admitted.]

Entered the Burgage, paying 10*sh.* fine:—

John Godard - - - - - *Pledges*: Alex. atte Watere, Richard Sparlyng, John de Ratlesden, John Wyger.

Thos. Clerk, fuller - - - - *Pledges*: John atte Halle, John Russel, Richard Packe, Rob. Fraunceys.

Richard Hardyng - - - - *Pledges*: Alex. atte Watere, Ric. Packe, John Clerkesone, Geoff. Throstelford.

John de Lansele seeks licence to reply concerning his complaints *v.* Wm. Pottere, and has it.

John Wiltesshire, the same, *v.* Ric. le Delver.

Ric. le Delver for licence to come to terms with Wm. Bacoun. In mercy.

[" Withernam."]

Joseph Elyanore appeared *v.* Wm. de la Mote, on plea of seizure and detention of cattle, and J. atte Watere, the sub-bailiff, witnessing that on going to the place he could not get view or delivery of the said owing to the said William's opposition, it was, therefore, ordered to take " withernam " of the said William's cattle to the value, etc., against next hundred.

[Price of Cows.]

The same appeared *v.* Ric. Perold, debt, the latter attached by 6 cows, val. 40*sh.*, which are in the hands of the Prior and Brethren of the Hospital of St. Mary Magdalen. The sub-bailiff, Hugh Lucas, is ordered to sequester the door of the said Prior's grange, in which the goods are enclosed under bolt against the next hundred.

[Dispute about 62 Sheep.]

Richard de Bathe was attached to reply to Joseph Elyanore, who complains that Richard had in his custody 62 sheep of his to keep from the Feast of St. Laurence [10th Aug.] to Michaelmas, and had been forbidden by the said Joseph to remove them outside the liberty of the town, but he without his permission came on Michaelmas Day to Shrebbestrat within the liberty, and violently took and removed them outside to the town. Loss estimated at 100*sh.* Richard pleads not guiity. Enquiry ordered.

[Empty Place at Houndepet.]

The Bailiffs and Commonalty leased to Wm. Wriht, of Bromleye, an empty place at Houndepet, in the suburb, at a rent of 2*d.* per annum.

John Vynich was attached by a silver cup, price 5*sh.*, to reply to Wm. Napleph, chaplain, and Nich. de Colchester, medicus, executors of the will of John Bacoun, chaplain, on plea of debt, which not being sufficient, it was ordered to hold that, etc.

The same two executors appeared on plea of debt against Thomas de Caunterbery and Wm. Ilsent, and on the sub-bailiff witnessing that they had nothing in his bailiwick whereby, etc., it was ordered that they be taken.

Distraint ordered on Simon Praunke that he come to the next hundred to reply to John Tybbe, on plea of debt.

[Bakers Fined for Short Weight.]

The bakers' bread was taken and weighed on Friday, Feast of S. Simon and Jude [28th Oct.] The following were found to be short in weight :—

John Wyger, the ¼*d.* simnel, 2*s.* 10*d.*	Fine 18*d.*
Ric. Dollard, the ½*d.* wheat loaf, 3*s.*	Fine 20*d.*
Thos. Deynes, the ¼*d.* wheat loaf, 6*s.*	Fine 40*d.*
Wm. atte Parke, the ½*d.* wheat loaf, 8*s.*	Fine 2*s.* 3*d.*
Wm. de Malden, ¼*d.* simnel, 10*d.*	In mercy, 6*d.*
Agnes supra-murum, ¼*d.* simnel, 2*sh.*	In mercy, 6*d.*
Will. Bacoun, ¼*d.* simnel, 10*d.*	In mercy, 6*d.*

Membrane 3.

Complaints:

Roger Belechere *v.* John Taverner, chaplain, trespass. Pledges to prosecute, John Gardiner, John Pegon. Pledges to defend, Richard Bradewey and John atte Watere.

Roger Chaumberleyn *v.* John Oldeman, debt. Plaintiff's pledges, Thos. Gerneys, John atte Watere. Defendant's pledges, Alex atte Watere, J. de Bottingham, sutor.

John Hereward *v.* John Stubbelfen, debt. Plaintiff's pledges, Wm. Prentys, J. atte Watere.

Joseph Elyanore *v.* John Ropere, detention of chattels. Pledges to prosecute, Richard Clericus, H. Lucas.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday, Vigil of All Saints [31st Oct.].

Essoigns.

Thos. de Balton *v.* Hen. Davy, vicar of Ardley, by Ric. Clericus.

John Vynch, of Colchester, *v.* Wm. Napeleph, chaplain, and Nich. de Colecestre, medicus, executors of the will of John Bacoun, chaplain, by Wm. de Ratlesden.

Wm. Ilcent *v.* Nich de Colecestre, and Wm. Napleph, by John atte Watere.

Rob. le Turnour *v.* Ralph le Webbe, by Hugh Lucas.

John Oldeman *v.* Roger Chaumberlayn, by Alex. atte Watere.

John Taverner, chaplain, *v.* Roger Belechere, by the same.

Ric. de Bache *v.* Joseph Elyanor, by Rob. le Clerk.

John Algod, mercer, *v.* Wm. Bacoun, by Ric. Clericus.

Simon le Delvere *v.* Ric. Packe, by Simon Lotoun.

[Burgess Admitted.]

Thos. Draper entered the Burgage, finding pledges, Alex. atte Watere, John atte Halle, Rich. Chapman, and Warin Parker, and paying 10*sh.* fine.

Wm. Bacoun for not prosecuting John Algod, mercer. In mercy.

Edmund le Skynner appeared against John Solers, who did not appear. He and his pledges in mercy, etc.

John Stubbelfen was attached by a woman's tunic, worth 18*d.* to reply to John Hereward. Day given.

John Ropere was attached by a brass posnet to reply to Joseph Elyanore. Day given.

Augustine le Tanner for licence to come to terms with John Buk, tanner. In mercy.

["Wythernam."]

Joseph Elyanore appeared against Wm. de la Mote on plea of detention of cattle, and John atte Watere witnesses that there are no animals on the said William's land for "wythernam" to the value of the cattle of the said Joseph. Therefore, it is ordered to take "wythernam" of the said William's goods, etc.

[Prior of St. Mary Magdalen.]

Richard Porold was distrained by 6 cows, worth 40*sh.* in the hand of the Prior and Brethren of St. Mary Magdalen to reply to Joseph Elyanore for debt. Ordered to sequester the doors of the grange of the said Prior, etc.

Still ordered to distrain Thos. de Caunterbery to reply to Wm. Napeleph, chaplain, and N. de Colecester, etc.

Wm. le Pottere was attached to reply to Adam f. Stephani for debt, who says that the said Wm. bought from Adam two cowhides for *6sh.* Wm. denies the debt, and pledges his law.

John Solers puts in his place John Clerkessone *v.* Edmund le Skynner, trespass.

[Empty Place Leased.]

The Bailiffs and Commonalty leased to John Clerkessone, jun., an empty place under the stone wall of Colchester within the Northgate, behind the said John's shop, at an annual rent of 3*d.*

Membrane 3 *verso.*

Hundred, Colchester

[Monday after Feast of St. Martin [14th Nov.].

Essoigns.

Thos. de Balton *v.* Hen. Davy, vicar of Ardley Church, by Ric. Clericus.
Ric. de Bache *v.* Joseph Elyanore, by the same.
Simon le Delvere *v.* Ric. Packe, by John atte Watere.
John Ropere *v.* Joseph Elyanore, by Simon Lotoun.
Wm. Ilcent *v.* Wm. Napeleph and Nich. de Colecestre, by John atte Water.
John Vynch *v.* the same two, by Wm. de Ratlesden.
John Oldeman *v.* Rog. Chamberlayn, by Alex. atte Watere.
John Taverner, chaplain, *v.* Rog. Belechiere, by John atte Watere.
Wm. le Pottere *v.* Adam f. Stephani, by Ric. Clericus.
Wm. Napeleph and Nicholas de Colecestre, *v.* Wm. Ilcent, by J. Elyanore, and *v.* J. Vynch, by J. Waryn.

Day given to Ralph le Webbe, plaintiff, and Rob. le Turnour, defendant, debt.

[Price of a Saddle.]

Wm. Wyhtly was summoned to reply to Geoffrey le Dyere for breaking an agreement about a saddle, which the latter was to make for 15*d.* The said William acknowledges the agreement. Geoffry to recover.

["Wythernam" Again.]

Ordered John atte Watere, sub-bailiff, to take of the cattle of Wm. de la Mote, wherever, etc, wythernam to the value of the cattle which the same Wm. unjustly took from J. Elyanore.

Distraints ordered on:

Ric. Perold to reply to J. Elyanore.
John Stubbelfen to reply to John Hereward.
Thos. de Caunterbery to reply to Wm. Napeleph and N. de Colecestre.

John Symme complains of John Swayn, debt. Pledges, Roger Belch, Henry Cartere.

Membrane 4.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. Katharine [28th Nov].

Essoigns.

Ric. de Bache *v.* Joseph Elyanore, trespass, by Rob. le Clerk.

Wm. Ilcent *v.* Wm. Napeleph and Nich. de Colecestre, medicus, Executors of the will of J. Betoun, chaplain, by Warin atte Welle.

John Vynch *v.* the same two, by Wm. de Ratlesden.
John Oldeman *v.* Rog. Chaumberleyn, by Alex. atte Watere.
John Taverner, chaplain, *v.* Roger Belechiere, by the same.
Wm. le Pottere *v.* Adam f. Stephani, by John atte Watere.
John Clerkessone, attorney of John Solers, *v.* Edm. le Skynner, by Wm. de Ratlesden.
John Ropere *v.* Joseph Elyanore, by Simon Lotoun.

[A Place at New Hythe.]

The Bailiffs and Commonalty have leased to John le Rede, jun., a place opposite his tenement at New Heath, which was Rog. Bunt's. Rent 2*d.* yearly at Hokeday.

Day given to Ric. Packe, plaintiff, and Simon le Delver, defendant, trespass.

Hen. Davy, vicar of Ardeleye, appeared against Thos. de Balton for debt, who did not appear. Considered that Henry should recover 13*sh* 4*d.*

Ralph le Webbe for not prosecuting Rob. le Turnour. In mercy.

Further order to John atte Watere, sub-bailiff, to take "wythernam" from the goods of Wm. de la Mote (as above; and in *Membrane* 4 *verso, Membrane* 5, *Membrane* 6, *Membrane* 6 *verso*).

Distraint ordered on Ric. Perold to be at the next hundred to reply to Joseph Elyanore; also on Thos. de Caunterbery to reply to Wm. Napeleph and Nich. de Colecestre; also on John Sweyn to reply to John Symme, (and *Membrane* 5).

Thomas Deynes complains of Thomas, Abbot of St. Osyth, and John, "concanonicus suus," detention of cattle. Pledges for prosecution, John Wyge and H. Lucas.

Pleas

Saturday after St. Andrew [3rd December].

Stephen de Cofton complains of Ric. Syward, trespass; the latter finds pledges, James Sadeler and Simon Lotoun; the former is poor, therefore, etc.

Pleas

Monday after the same Feast [5th December].

Richard Syward attached to reply to Stephen de Cofton, trespass, common assault. Enquiry ordered.

Geoffrey de Throstelford was fined for selling green sheep-skins to foreigners to the prejudice of the Burgesses.

John Fynger, jun., and Thos. atte Halle were attached to reply to John Parlebien, trespass and assault at Sherdegate in the suburb. Enquiry ordered.

Wm. Talebot, tailor, complains of Walter de Lepham, trespass.

7, *Membrane* 4 *verso*

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Conception of Blessed Virgin Mary [12th Dec.].

Essoigns.

Wm. le Pottere *v.* Adam f. Stephani, debt, by John atte Watere.
John Ropere *v.* Joseph Elyanore, by Simon Lotoun.

John Clerkessone, attorney of John Solers, *v.* Edm. le Skynner, by Wm. de Ra[tlesden].
Walter de Lopham *v.* Wm. Talebot, tailor, by Jos. Elyanore.
Ric. Syward *v.* Stephen de Coltoun, by Ric. Clericus.

Day given to:

Jos. Elyanore, plaintiff, and Ric. de Bache, defendant.

Wm. Napeleph and Nich. de Colecestre, plaintiffs, and Wm Ilcent, defendant.

The same two, Wm. and Nich., appeared against John Vynch, who made default, wherefore he and his pledges are in mercy.

[Alleged Horse Stealing with Violence by a Chaplain.]

John Taverner, chaplain, attached to reply to Rog. Belechiere, trespass, on charge of trespass, etc., with sword, bows and arrows, and of stealing a horse, etc. Pleaded not guilty, and a day given.

[Distraint on Abbot of St. Osyth.]

Distraint ordered on Thos, Abbot of St Osyth, and John, "concanonicus suus," to reply to Thos. Deynes.

[Price of Hand Millstones.]

John Sweyn attached by two hand millstones, value 20*d.*, to reply to John Symme, debt. Further distraint ordered.

Distraint ordered on Ric. Perold to reply to J. Elyanore.

[Bakers Fined for Short Weight.]

Bakers' bread taken and weighed on Friday after Conception of Blessed Virgin Mary. John Potter, baker, for short weight, viz., ¼*d.* loaf, 9*sh.* fined.

Ric. Suthereye, baker, for short weight, viz., ¼*d.* loaf, 10*sh.* fined.

7, *Membrane* 4 *verso.*

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Circumcision [2nd Jan., 1346.]

Essoigns.

Alex. atte Watere, attorney of John Taverner, chaplain, *v.* Rog. Belechiere, by Wm. de Ratlesden.
John Clerkessone, attorney of John Solers, *v.* Edm. le Skynner, by the same.
Walter de Lopham *v.* Wm. Talebot, tailor, by Richard Clericus.

Henry Pand, "sutor," came before the Bailiffs, and acknowledged a deed of general release from himself to Adam Eyrdale, Ric. Shawe, brother of Adam, Wm. Lavenham, John Furner, and Thos. Shakedale. Witnesses, Peter de Boxsted, Thos. Bastard, Wm. de la Mote, Adam Waryn, Thos. de Dedham, Wm. Hadleye, Ralph Ode, Warin atte Welle, Wm. de Brome. Dated Tuesday after All Saints' Day [19th Edward III.].

7, *Membrane* 5.

Still the Hundred on above-named Date [Jan. 2, 1346].

Adam f. Stephani, by John Waryn, his attorney, appeared against Wm. le Pottere, who came and made his law denying the debt as, etc., by John Revekyn, John Bluet. Adam in mercy, etc.

Thos. Deynes for not prosecuting Thomas, Abbot of St. Osyth, and John, his "concanonicus."

Day given to Wm. Napeleph and Nich. de Colecestre, plaintiff, and John Ffynch.

Stephen de Cofton for not prosecuting Ric. Syward, trespass, in mercy. Pardoned because poor.

Day given to Wm. Napeleph and Nich. de Colecestre, plaintiff, and Wm. Ilcent.

Joseph Elyanore appeared against John Roper, detention of goods, who came not. He and his pledges to be distrained.

Distraint ordered on John Sweyn to reply to John Symme.

[Burgess Admitted.]

Nicholas de Masscoun entered the Burgage. Pledges, Warin atte Welle, John Waryn, Alex. atte Watere, John atte Halle. Fine, 10*sh.*

Lawehundred

Monday after Feast of St. Hilary [16th Jan.].

Essoigns.

Alexander atte Watere, attorney of John Taverner, chaplain, *v.* Roger Belechiere, trespass, by Wm. de Ratlesden.
John Oldeman *v.* Rog. Chaumberleyn, debt, by John atte Watere.
Walter de Lopham *v.* Wm. Talebot, by Richard Clericus.
John Taverner *v.* Rog. Belechiere, by Wm. de Ratlesden.
Rob. le Turnour *v.* Ralph le Webbe, by Wm. atte Welle.

Essoigns (*de communi*).

Abbot of St. John's, by Warin atte Welle.
Ric. de Colne, by Joseph Elyanore.

John Fynch and Wm. Ilcent for licence to come to terms with Wm. Napeleph, chaplain, and Nich. de Colecestre. In mercy.

Ric. de Aldholte made fine for his suit to be released up to Michaelmas.

[Burgess Admitted.]

Ric. de Reydon entered the Burgage and found pledges, Wm. Prentys, Wm. Cook, butcher, John Lache, John Scotland.

Distraint ordered on John Ropere to reply to J. Elyanore.

The judgment pending between Edm. le Skynner and John Solers is respited.

[Burgess Admitted.]

Stephen Wogate entered the Burgage, finding pledges, Nich. Chapman, Thos. Skynner, and John Wyberd. Fine, 10*sh.*

[Beer-sellers Fined.]

The following, in addition to those marked on Membrane 2, were fined for selling beer contrary to the assize:

Juliana, wife of Ad. atte Welle	Ric. Bradewey's wife
Alice Passelewe	Wm. Leycestre's wife
Thos. de Boreham	John Rede's wife

[Forestallers.]

The following were fined as forestallers:

Alice Bodyer	Rose de Shelleye.

[Excessive Toll.]

The following was fined for taking excessive toll for corn, etc.:

Richard Pig at Middelmilne.

[Wine-seller Fined.]

Richolda, wife of Ric. de Copford, for selling wine contrary to the assize. Fined 6*d.*

[Undue Pasturing.]

John Cosyn, of Donyland, for pasturing his sheep on the common. Fined. Also the Almoner of St. John.

[Buying Green Sheepskins.]

Wm. Lodebrok, foreigner, bought within the Feast of St. Michael, secretly, of various merchants, green sheepskins, etc. In mercy.

Ric. Blast and Rose de Shelley, did the same. In mercy.

John Parlebien, thatcher, raised hue unjustly on Thos. atte Halle at Souttersherd.

[Deed of Grant by Thos. Bastard.]

Deed of grant from Thomas Bastard, of Stanewey, to Adam, son of John de Hoo, of an annual rent of 20*sh.* during grantor's life, and 40*sh.* on his death, from all his lands in Great Staneweye and Cosford, belonging to Hawyse Bastard, his grandmother.

Witnesses, William de Hadleye and . . . . f. Roberti, Bailiffs. John de Ratlesden, Warin atte Welle, Wm. de Maldon, Ric. Tote, clerk.

Dated Tuesday after Feast of . . . . 19th Edward III. [1345-6].

7, *Membrane* 6.

Ralph de Teye, chaplain, complains of Thos. Bray and Joan, his wife, trespass. Pledges to prosecute, John de Bergholte and Simon Lotoun.

Robert le Turnour complains of John Andreu, covenant. Pledges to prosecute, Wm. Grainger and Simon Lotoun, defendant's pledges being Ralph le Webbe and John Sterre.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Conversion of St. Paul [31st Jan.].

Essoigns.

Alex. atte Watere, attorney of John Taverner, chaplain, *v.* Roger Belechiere, by Wm. de Ratlesden.
John Solers *v.* Edm. le Skynner, trespass, by the same.
Rob. le Turnour, merchant, *v.* Ralph de Webbe, merchant, debt, by Simon Lotoun.
John Andreu *v.* Rob. le Turnour, by Ric. Clericus.
Rob. le Turnour *v.* J. Andreu, by Wm. de Ratlesden.
John Oldeman *v.* Rog. Chaumberleyn, by Ric. Sparling.

Walter de Lopham pleaded not guilty to a common assault on Wm. Talebot. Enquiry ordered.

Thomas Bray and Joan, his wife, distrained by 2 furs, price 2*sh.*, to reply to Ralph de Teye, chaplain.

[Assault in the Market Place. Bailiff and Sub-Bailiff Attacked.]

Roger Costyn was charged that he, in sight of Wm. de Hadleye, one of the Bailiffs, made an assault on John Fynch, in the market place, and on the said Bailiff trying to apprehend him he was attacked by the said Roger, and the sub-bailiff, Simon de Lotoun, was struck. Roger pleads guilty, and throws himself on the mercy of the court, finding bail to come up for judgment, viz., Adam de Colne, John Arwesmyth, Walter de Ileye, John atte Halle, jun., Wm. Buk, and John Lache.

Ric. Skriveyn for trespass, fined.

Joseph Elyanor seeks licence to reply on his complaint *v.* John Roper.

Still ordered to distrain John Sweyn to reply to the charge of John Symme.

John de Lansele complains of Avice Pye.

Wm. Hydman complains of John Rady, debt. Prosecuter's pledges, John le Rede and Hugh Lucas. Defendant's pledges, John Somenour and Hugh Lucas.

Richard atte Halle, merchant, complains of John le Dyere, of Writley, merchant, debt. Pledge, J. Waryn.

Ric. de Suthereye complains of Joseph Dauber, trespass. Pledges to prosecute, John Somenour and J. atte Watere.

John Buk complains of Rog. Hotfoot, trespass. Pledges, Thos. Markeshale, Hugh Lucas.

7, *Membrane* 6 *verso.*

Hundred, Colchester

Monday before Feast of St. Valentine [6th Feb.].

Essoigns.

John Taverner, chaplain, *v.* Rog. Belechiere, detention of a horse, by Alex. atte Wateie.
John Solers *v.* Edm. le Skynnere, trespass, by Wm. de Ratlesden.
Walter de Lopham *v.* Wm. Talebot, by Alex. atte Wateie.
John Rady *v.* Wm. Hydman, by Simon Lotoun.
Rob. le Turnour, merchant, *v.* Ralph le Webbe, by Simon Lotoun.
John Andren *v.* Rob le Turnour, by Ric. Clericus.

John Oldeman for licence to come to terms with Rog. Chaumberleyn, debt.

John le Dyer for licence to come to terms with Ric. atte Hel.

Thomas and Joan Bray were attached by two furs of kids, price 2*sh.*, and four furs of "marrok" (goats), price 6*sh.*, to reply to Ralph de Teye, chaplain.

Joseph Dauber was attached by a "posnet," price 6*d.*, to reply to Richard Suthereye, finding pledges, Nich. Leche and J. atte Watere.

Jury summoned to try case of Rog. Belechiere *v.* J. Taverner.

Distraint ordered on John Sweyn to reply to John Symme.

Pleas

Tuesday before Feast of St. Peter in Cathedra [28th Feb.].

John de Creppingg and Ric. Page were charged with committing an assault on Rob. le Hoppere. Pleading not guilty, an enquiry was ordered.

[Will of Richard de Colne.]

Recital of Will of Ric. de Colne, of Colchester, proved by John Solers and Thos. de Borham, Jurors.

He bequeaths to his wife Alice, and Agnes, his elder daughter, and Robert, his son, various shops, etc., in Colchester, among them a tenement in Culver Lane, between the late Warin fil. William's curtilage and the late John de Wodhull's curtilage; two acres of land acquired from Nich. Wastel, near Shrebbestret; four acres near Sholand acquired from Master Hugh Lightwyne;

three acres late acquired from Joan, his mother, near Shrebbestret; one acre near the Waterfurgh, acquired from Matilda Elys; seven acres in the suburb acquired from Hy. Denny and Rob. de la Porter, chaplain; four acres acquired from the Executors of Hubert Bosse; etc.

Dated, Monday after Feast of St. Katharine [28th Nov.], 1345.

Membrane 7.

Joseph Elyanor complains of John Lucas. Pledges, Ralph Ode, John atte Watere.

Complaints:

Peter de Wysebeche complains of Avice Pye. Pledges, John Betoun and John atte Watere.

The same *v.* Robert de Beche. Pledges, Rob. le Clerk, J. atte Watere.

Rob. de Lechemere *v.* Roger Peek, of Beylham. Thomas Bysouth, S. Lotun.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. Matthias [27th Feb.].

Essoigns. (and on *Memb.* 7 *verso.*)

Alex. atte Watere, attorney of John Taverner, *v.* Roger Belechiere, whence an enquiry by Wm. de Ratlesden.
John Solers *v.* Edm. le Skynnere, whence judgment by Wm. de Ratlesden.
John Rady *v.* Wm. Hydman, by Simon Lotoun.
Joseph Douber *v.* Ric. de Suthereye, by John atte Watere.
John Andreu *v.* Rob. le Turnour, by Ric. Clericus.
Walter de Lopham v. Wm. Talebot. Enquiry by J. atte Watere.

Rog. Belechiere by Ric. Clericus, his attorney appeared against John Taverner, for detention of a horse, the latter not appearing, he and his pledges in mercy.

Rob. le Webbe, merchant, for not prosecuting Rob. Taverner, merchant, in mercy.

[Offence in the Harbour.]

Rob. de Crowemere because he broke the hull of his ship, laden with salt fish, within Colchester harbour, and carried it off outside the harbour, fined and paid to Hugh Lucas.

Distraint ordered on Thos. Bray and Joan, his wife, to reply to Ralph de Teye, chaplain.

[An Assault.]

ENQUIRY taken in case of Rob. de Hoppere and Ric. Page *v.* John de Creppyngg, by Martin le Webbe, John Stere and his companions, who say that Richard and John struck and wounded the said Robert, who may recover 6*d.*

Distraint ordered on John Sweyn to reply to John Symme, debt.

Thos. Solers for trespass, made against the peace, made fine by pledge of Roger Astome.

[A Free Tenement in Colchester.—Assize of Freshforce.]

Alice, widow of Ric. de Colne, complains of Adam de Colne, on plea "assise friscoforcie," concerning a free tenement in Colchester, according to the custom. Pledges to prosecute, Joseph Elyanore, Rob. Maunser. Therefore, John atte Watere, subbailiff, is ordered to take possession again of the tenement with the chattels, and summon a jury, etc.

Rob. Plantyng complains of Ric. de Pilardon, rector of Great Braxsted, trespass.

Rog. le Barker, of Yarmouth, complains of John Oldeman, detention of goods. Pledges, Philip Rokele, W. Ratlesden. Defendant's pledges, Alex. atte Watere and S. Lotoun.

Joseph Elyanor complains of Hen. de Leycestre, debt. Pledges, Ralph Ode and S. Lotoun.

Rob. de Fulham complains of John Glover, debt. Pledges, Ralph Hefd, J. atte Watere. Defendant's pledges, Adam Waryn, J. atte Watere.

Joseph Elyanore complains of Hy. de Leycestre, trespass.

John Pykeman pays fine for trespass.

7, *Membrane* 7 *verso.*

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. Gregory [13th March].

Essoign.

John Oldeman *v.* Rog. le Barker, of Yarmouth, by S. Lotoun.

[Burgesses Admitted.]

The following entered the Burgage, paying 10*sh.* fine:—

John le Mascoun - - - *Pledges*: Mathew f. Roberti, Warin atte Welle, Adam Waryn, Thos. de Borham.

Robert le Cook - - - *Pledges*: Adam de Colne, Henry Sayer, John Kyng, Wm. Ilcent.

Richard Baunde, couper - - *Pledges*: Joseph Elyanore, J. atte Hyde, Peter de Wysebeche, Thos. de Borham.

[Assize of Freshforce.]

Adam de Colne was attached, according to the custom of the town, to reply to Alice, widow of Ric. de Colne, on plea of assize of freshforce, viz., that the said Adam disseised Alice of a garden in Colchester.

The assize held by John atte Halle, Alex. atte Watere, John Lucas, Warin Parker, Hugh Taillour, John Nevard, Wm. Hory, Walter de Illeye, Wm. de Cofford, John Chapman, Wm. Prentys, and Wm. de Okeley, who give their judgment and the descent of the property.

[Alleged Assault at the Bear Stake.]

John Solers, by his attorney, John Clerkessone, pleads not guilty to the charge of assault on Edm. le Skynnere, at le Berestake in Colchester.

Case of Rog. Belechiere *v.* J. Taverner, continued.

Case of Joseph Elyanore *v.* Hen. de Leycestre, continued. Ordered to "sequester the doors" of the said Henry.

Ordered to "sequester the doors" (sequestrare hostia) of John Lucas in his case *v.* J. Elyanore.

Distraint ordered on John de Tenham, to reply to Jos. Elyanore.

Avice Pye was attached by a "chaloner," price 4*sh.* to reply to Peter de Wysebeche.

Distraint ordered on John Andreu to reply to Rob. le Turnour.

Membrane 8.

Still the Hundred, Monday after Feast of St. Gregory [15th March].

[Will of John de Fordham.]

Probate of the Will of John de Fordham, by Ric. de Bergholte and John Leuegh, jurors, leaving property to Katharine, his wife, William, George and Simon and John, his sons, in Heuedstret, near Colhawegate, in Lacyescroft, in Little Sholand, near Burghgate, Bonytonesland.

Names of executors, Katharine, his wife, John de Cosford, chaplain. Dated; Wednesday after Assumption, 1345 [17th Aug.].

[Burgesses Admitted.]

Entered the Burgage, paying 10*sh.* fine:—

John atte Chambre - - - *Pledges*: Joseph Elyanore, Matth. f. Roberti, Warin atte Welle, William Hory.

William de Bottyngham - - *Pledges*: Wm. de Brome, Matth. f. Roberti, John atte Halle, Warin atte Welle.

Rob. Nichole - - - - *Pledges*: Wm. de Brome, John Lucas, John atte Forde, Warin atte Welle.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Feast of the Annunciation [27th March].

Essoigns.

Joseph Elyanore, attorney of Alice, widow of Ric. de Colne, *v.* Adam de Colne, plea of assize of freshforce, by Wm. de Ratlesden.

John Clerkessone, attorney of John Solers, *v.* Edm. le Skynner, trespass, by the same.

John de Causton *v.* Ric. de Delvere, by Hugh Lucas.

Alex. atte Watere, attorney of John Taverner, chaplain, *v.* Roger Belechiere, by Wm. de Ratlesden.

John Douber *v.* Ric. de Suthereye, of Yarmouth, by John atte Watere.

John le Glover *v.* Rob. de Fulham, by Ric. Clericus.

Will Hydman, by Ric. Clericus, charged John Rady with a debt, who did not appear. He and his pledges to be distrained.

Henry de Leycestre pleaded not guilty to a debt of 26*sh.* 8*d.*, alleged to be due to Joseph Elyanore. Enquiry ordered.

Still ordered to sequester the doors of John Lucas, where his goods are under lock and key.

John de Tenham attached by a piece of silver, value 5*sh.*, to reply to J. Elyanore.

Distraint ordered on John Andren to reply to Rob. le Turnour.

Membrane 8, *verso.*

[An Assault.]

VERDICT of John Frere, Geoffr. le Taillour, and others, the Jury in case of Wm. Talebot and Walter de Lopham, for trespass, find that Walter struck William, and must pay 6*d.* damages.

[Burgesses Admitted.]

The following entered the burgage, paying 10*sh.* fine:—

Ric. le Theccher, baker - - *Pledges*: John Rokele, John atte Halle, Thos. Deynes, John Gernoun.

John Dru - - - - - - *Pledges*: Rob. Edward, Ralph Knyght, Ad. Waryn, Alex. atte Watere.

John Hauk - - - - - *Pledges*: Clem. le Dyer, Rob. Palat, Pet. de Wysebeche, Jo. atte Watere.

John Sayer, skinner - - *Pledges*: Jos. Elyanore, Rob. Arwesmith, Jo. atte Halle. Ric. Sparling.

Distraint ordered on Avice Pye to reply to Peter de Wysebeche.

John de Kent complains of John Algood, pelter. Pledges to prosecute Ric. Baker, Sim. Lotoun. Defendant's pledges, John Sterre, Simon Lotoun.

Alice de Lincolne complains of John Whyter, trespass. Pledges, Thos. Gryndere, Ad. Doubbur.

Katharine Gage complains of John Hydman and Agnes, his wife, trespass. Pledges, John Fynch, H. Lucas.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Palm Sunday [10th April].

Essoigns. (and on *Membrane* 9.)

John Oldeman *v.* Rog. le Barker, of Yarmouth, by Alex. atte Watere.
John le Glovere *v.* Rob. de Fulham, by Ric. Clericus.
John Algod *v.* John de Kent, by Simon Lotoun.

John de Whyter for licence to come to terms with Alice de Lincolne. In mercy.
John Taverner for the same with Roger Belechere. In mercy.
Simon le Taillour for not prosecuting Wm. Neweman. In mercy.

[Skinning a Horse.]

VERDICT of the Jury, John supra Murum, Walter le Smyth, etc., in case of John de Causton and Ric. le Delver, the charge against the latter being that he skinned a horse of the former and sold the hide. Damages 2*sh.*; John to recover.

Katherine Gage appeared against John Hydman and Agnes, his wife, who, because they have no goods by which they can be distrained, are to be taken themselves, to reply, etc.

John de Tenham was attached by two pieces of silver, price 10*sh.*, to reply to J. Elyanore. Day given.

Distraints ordered on:

John Rady to reply to Wm. Hydman.
Avice Pye to reply to Pet. de Wysebeche.
John Andreu to reply to Rob. le Turnour.

[Will of John le Jay of Mile End.]

The will of John le Jay de la Milaund was proved by John Jusshel and Hugh Clericus, jurors. Dated, Monday after Annunciation, 1346 [27th March]. Executrix, Rose, his wife.

John le Pedder complains of Lambert Heyroun. Pledges to prosecute, John Lucas and Simon Lotoun.

John Raven, fuller, complains of John Lucas, webbe. Pledge, Nich. Chapman.

Joan, widow of John Musse, complains of John de Peldon, on plea of assize of freshforce, etc.

Membrane 9.

Colchester

Monday the Morrow of the Close of Easter [24th April].

Essoign.

Hen. de Leycestre *v.* J. Elyanore, by Simon Lotoun.

John Hydman for licence to come to terms with Katherine Gage. In mercy.

Roger le Barker, of Yarmouth, seeks licence to reply to the complaint of John Oldeman, and has it.

John de Peldon for licence to come to terms with Joan, widow of John Musse, plea of assize of freshforce, in mercy.

Day given for John Raven, fuller, *v.* John Lucas, webbe, detention of goods.

Distraint ordered on Lambert Heyroun to reply to John Pedder.

Avice Pye was attached by 2 counterpanes and a woollen sheet, price 40*d.*, and by a round bowl and washhand basin, 12*d.*, to reply to Peter de Wysebeche; insufficent, and further distraint ordered.

John de Tenham was attached by 2 pieces of silver, price 10*s.*, to reply to Joseph Elyanore. Further distraint ordered.

Great distraints ordered on John Rady to reply to Willm. Hydman. John Andreu to reply to Rob. le Turnour.

John Sayer, skynner, complains of John atte Hyd, skinner. Pledges, Hen. Sayer and J. atte Watere.

Ralph Ode complains of Nich. Caperoun. Pledges, Joseph Elyanor, Rich. Euesing.

Lawehundred

Monday after Hokeday [8th May].

Essoigns. (and on *Membrane* 10.)

John de Tenham *v.* J. Elyanore, by S. Lotoun.
Lambert Heyroun *v.* John le Pedder, by Ric. Clericus.
Wm. Polleye *v.* John Johan de Langenho, by J. Elyanore.

Essoigns de communi.

Ric. Bradewey, by Ric. Clericus.
Prior of St. Cross Hospital, by John Maycok.
Wm. Prentys, by Hugh Lucas.
Wm. Hory, by John atte Halle.
John Lache, by John atte Watere.
John Roper, by John Blunt.
Wm. Staneway, by Hugh Lucas.

Edm. le Skynner for not prosecuting John Solers. In mercy.

Alice, widow of Ric. de Colne, for not prosecuting Ad. de Colne. In mercy.

John atte Hyde, skinner, for licence to come to terms with John Sayer, skinner. In mercy.

John Lucas, weblbe, for licence to come to terms with Jo. Raven. In mercy.

Rob. de Fulham charged John le Glover with a debt of 8*sh.*, who did not appear because he did not owe the debt. Robert to recover 9*sh.*, and John in mercy.

[Price of Mackerel.]

John Rady was summoned to reply to Wm. Hydman, who charges him with a debt of 11*d.* on a sale of 400 mackerel, at 2*sh.* 4*d.* per 100, which he has paid except the 11*d.* John pleads not guilty, and a day is given.

John f. Joh. Fens was attached to reply, and pleaded not guilty to charge of assault brought by Avice f. Will. Stork. Day given.

Pleas

Wednesday after Feast of St. John-ante-Portam-Latinam same year [10th May].

Wm. Polleye complains *v.* John Johan, of Langenhoe, plea of debt, by J. Elyanore.

John Lucas was attached to reply to J. Elyanore, debt, and found pledges, Adam de Colne. and John atte Fens.

Nich. Caperoun attached to reply to Ralph Ode, finding pledges.

[Beer-sellers Fined.]

Membrane 9 *verso.*

The following (in addition to those in membranes 2 and 5 verso, etc.) were fined for selling beer contrary to the assize:—

Adam atte Welle
Thos. de Borham
John Chaunbre's wife
Wm. de Bott
Edw. Skynner's wife
John Davy's wife
Ric. Bradewey's wife
Ric. Sparlyng's wife
Ralph Knyht
John Rede's wife

[Forestallers.]

Fined for forestalling, Alice Bodges.

[Unlawful Buying of Fish.]

They say also that John Rady buys fish from a fisherman coming to Heath, as far as Rouhegy [Rowhedge]. In mercy.

[Excessive Toll.]

The following took excess of toll for corn, etc:—

John Wyger and his companions, farmers of Northmeln.
Ric. Pig, farmer of Middelmilne.
Nich. Roger, farmer of Estmilne.
John Stokfissh, of Bournemelne.

[Assault at Berestake.]

That John Casteleyn assaulted Ric. Kyng at Berestake, on which the latter raised hue justly. John in mercy.

That William, servant of Ric. Dyngaright, assaulted William, servant of Ric. Euesyng. In mercy.

That Geoffrey de Bergholte assaulted John fil. Agn. Pope, in Ric. Syward's house in the market place. In mercy.

That Rob. Sherman and Robert, his son, assaulted Alice fil. Ric. Dyngariht. In mercy.

That Joan Thele assaulted Margt. Abel in Hethstrete. In mercy.

That John Whelewrighte assaulted Katharine, widow of Henry Beste, in Hethstrete [Hythe Street]. In mercy.

That Margery Osekyn and her daughter Christina assaulted Gilbert in-the-Fol. . . In mercy.

[Nuisance in the Market Place.]

That Thos. de Borham has a dunghill in the market place at Berestake, a nuisance to the neighbours, etc. In mercy.

That the following are guilty of the same offence:—

John Solers
Rob. Dadkyn
Wm. le Pykeman
Custance Chaundeler
John de Bergh, sutor
Ric de Suttherye

[Feet of Diseased Animals.]

That Custance, wife of Will. Skynner, collected in various places the feet of animals dead from disease, and sold them as good, to the deception of the people. In mercy.

[Forestalling.]

That Wm. Cook, butcher, forestalled the market.

[The Gallows.]

That Nich. de Leycestre has dug a great pit for clay at the crossroads or gallows (furcas). In mercy.

Membrane 10.

John de Lansele complains of Warin atte Welle and Wm. de Hadleye, debt. Pledge, Wm. de la ——.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. Dunstan, 20th Edward III. [22nd May].

Essoigns and *Membrane* 10, 10 *verso*.

John Lucas *v.* Joseph Elyanore, by Hugh Lucas.
John Rady *v.* Wm. Hydman.
Nich. Caperoun *v.* Ralph Ode, by Simon Lotoun.

VERDICT given in default, the defendant, Henry de Leycestre, not appearing, in favour of Jos. Elyanore, who may recover 10*s.* from 26*sh.* 8*d.* due to him.

John de Kent, by Richard Clericus, his attorney, *v.* John Algood, pelter, who did not appear. He and his pledges to be distrained.

Distraint ordered on Warin atte Welle and Wm. de Hadleye, to reply to John de Lansele.

[Hospital of St. Cross—Crouched Friars.]

The Prior of the Hospital of St. Cross for not coming to warrant his essoign "de communi." In mercy.

[A Market Stall.]

Warin atte Welle made fine for his lease, to be held under the common seal, of his stall opposite his tenement in the market place.

Wm. Prentys complains of Richard le Peyntour, trespass. Pledges, Adam de Colne, Simon Lotoun.

Richard Packe complains of Tho. Waryn, of Horkesley, and Alesia, his wife, for detention of a stone of wool. Pledges, John Curteys, John atte Watere.

Wm. Quintyn complains of Walter le Taillour, trespass.

Pleas, Colchester

Saturday, Whitsun Eve [3rd June], 1346.

Thos. Waryn, of Horkeslye, and Alesia, his wife, to be further distrained.

Day given to Wm. Prentys *v.* Ric. le Peyntour.

Walter le Taillour pleads not guilty to a charge of assault on Wm. Quintyn. Inquiry ordered.

Hen. le Barbour complains of Robert Capellanus, debt.

Wm. Stace complains of Wm. atte Park, detention of 2 gold florins. Pledges, John Broun, H. Lucas.

Alice la Webbe complains of John f. Nich. le Dyer, jun., for detention of a coverlet.

John atte Halle, jun., complains of Roger Ymayne, Alice Symund, Roger Symund, and Sibil, his wife, trespass.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday in Whitsun Week [5th June].

Essoigns.

Alice la Webbe *v.* John f. Nich. le Dyere, jun., by Ric. Clericus.
Robert Capellanus *v.* Hy. le Barbour, by John atte Halle.

Day given to John de Kent and John Algood, pelter, on plea of debt.
Also to Ric. Packe, plaintiff, and Thos. Waryn, of Horkeslye, and Alice, his wife.
Wm. Polleye seeks licence to reply concerning his quarrel *v.* John Johan, of Langenho.
Ralph Ode the same, *v.* Nich. Caperoun.
Day given to John de Kent, plaintiff, and John Algood.
Distraint ordered on Warin atte Welle and Wm. de Hadleye to reply to John de Lansele.
Ric. le Peyntour for licence to come to terms with Wm. Prentys, trespass.
Distraint ordered on Avice Pye to reply to Peter de Wysebeche, debt.

It was witnessed by Hugh Lucas, sub-bailiff, that Roger Ymayne, Alice Symund, Roger and Sibil Symund, and Adam de Saham have no goods whereby they can be distrained to reply to John atte Halle, jun. They are, therefore, to be taken, etc.

Walter le Taillour because he attacked Wm. Quintyn. In mercy.
Gregory Helm, for licence to come to terms with John Saburgh. In mercy.

[Burgess Admitted.]

Adam atte Rothe entered the burgage and found pledges, Wm. Buk, Robert Edward, John f. Nich. Dyer, jun., and John atte Halle. Fine, 10*sh.*

John Pegon and Margery, his wife, complain of Philippa Anneysedouhtor. Pledge, Tho. de Borham.

Membrane 10 *verso.*

Pleas, Colchester

Friday in Whitsun Week [9th June].

Essoign.

Rob. Chaplain, etc.; *v.* supra.

Pleas, Colchester

Monday after Holy Trinity [12th June].

[Assize of Freshforce.]*

Matilda, widow of John Ferthyng, complains of Wm. Ferthyng, Simon Ferthyng, John Jekes, Rob. Plomer, Thos. Edward, and John Sawyer, on plea of assize of freshforce, concerning a free tenement in Miland, within the liberty of Colchester, according to the custom of the town. Pledges for prosecution, Wm. de Ratlesden, Simon Brand. John atte Watere is ordered to re-take possession of the goods, and in the meantime to be summoned a Jury, etc.

Ralph Ode complains of Nich. Caperoun for detention of a pair of fuller's shears. Pledge, Jos. Elyanore, Nicholas's pledges being Thos. Maunser and Simon Lotoun.

**Freshforce.* An assize or bill of freshforce could be brought by any person who had been disseised of lands or tenements. "Ejectments" are now in use for recovering possession of such property.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. Botolph [26th June].

Essoigns.

Wm. Wyhtby *v.* Geoffr. Stace, by Sim. Lotoun.
Geoff. Stace *v.* Wm. Wyhtby, by Wm. de Ratlesden.
Wm. atte Parke *v.* Wm. Stace, by John atte Watere.

[Assize of Freshforce.]

In the above case of freshforce, the assize summoned and taken by Ric. Sparlyng, Rob., de Colne, Wm. Pettere, Wm. le Teillore, John Hullenewode, Roger Love, Hen. le Herde Matth. atte Hache, Rob. Hauke, Ric. Thurston, John Thurston, and John Payn find that the said Matilda Ferthyng was never seised of the said messuage, and so she and her pledges for the false complaint are in mercy.

Philippa Anneysedouhter pleads not guilty to a charge of assault on John and Margery Pegon in Hethestrete. Inquiry ordered.

Richard Packe for not prosecuting Thos. Waryn, of Horkesley, and Alice, his wife. In mercy.

Wm. Beste pays fine 12*d.* for a writing under the common seal of a lease in Colchester.

John f. Nich. le Dyer, jun., pleads not guilty to a charge made by Alice la Webbe, for detention of a coverlet. Inquiry ordered.

John le Peddere for not prosecuting Lambert Heyroun. In mercy.

[Burgesses Admitted.]

Richard le Smyth, of Halford, entered the Burgage. Fine, 10*sh.*
Pledges, Thos. de Borham, John Bakere, Thos. atte Gate, Warin Parker.
John Blachester entered the Burgage. Fine, 10*sh.*
Pledges, Wm. de Cofford, Wm. Okelee, Hugh le Taillour, Thos. le Skynner.

Joseph Elyanor complains of John de Tenham, debt; the latter not appearing when called is in mercy.

Day given to John de Kent, plaintiff, and John Algood, pelter, debt.

Distraints ordered on:

Warin atte Welle and Wm. de Hadleye to reply to John de Lansele.
Avice Pye to reply to Peter de Wysebeche.

Still ordered to take Roger Ymayne and others (*v. supra Membrane* 10).

[Charge of Breaking Down Part of the Town Wall.]

John de Lansele pleads not guilty to a charge by the Bailiff of breaking down part of the stone wall of Colchester, viz., at Southsherd. Inquiry ordered.

John atte Hyde, the same.

Membrane 11.

John de Leyre complains of John Kyng, taillour, debt. Pledges, Peter de Wysebeche, John atte Watere.

John de Tenham complains of John Roper. Pledges, John atte Halle, Simon Lotoun.

Defendant finds pledges, Warin Parker and John Springold.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. James [31st July].

Essoigns and *Membrane* 11 *verso.*

John le Mareschal, sen., *v.* John le Barbour, of Ipswich, and Joan, his wife, by Wm. Ratlesden.
Rog. Imayne *v.* Jo. Kyge, by Hugh Lucas.
Thos. Bygeis *v.* Ralph le Baker.
John Henaud *v.* Matilda f. Rad. Baker, by Richd. Clericus.
John Pegon *v.* John Anneysedouhter, by Hugh Lucas.
John Roper *v.* John de Tenham, by John atte Watere.
John Algood, mercer, *v.* Will f. Nicholai le Gros, by Ad. Waryn.
Philip Rokele *v.* Wm. f. Nich. le Gros, by Simon Lotoun.
Christine Wolf *v.* Ralph le Baker, by John atte Watere.

Ralph Ode appeared against Nich. Caperoun, *v.* supra.

Wm. f. Nich. le Gros, of Colchester, appeared against Philip Rokel, plea of land. The latter was essoigned and has a day.

The same William appeared against John Algod, mercer, who was essoigned, etc.

Joseph Elyanor appeared against John de Tenham, debt, the latter being called did not appear, and a day was given, etc.

[Fined for Contempt.]

John Stephens paid fine, 6*d.*, for contempt and trespass, to the Bailiffs.

John Davy paid fine for hue justly raised against him by Christine Tanner.

Robert Seman for false complaint against John de Chestehuntte, smith, trespass. In mercy.

Again ordered to distrain John Algood, mercer, to value of 8*sh.*, to reply to the Bailiffs for a certain distraint taken on Thos. Oslok at the suit of John Kyng, taillour, for which John Algood went bail.

Distraint ordered on Avice Pye to reply to Peter de Wysebeche, debt.

Peter de Wysebeche to recover against Rob. de Beche a debt of 8*sh.*, and 40*d.* damages.

[Will of Nicholas le Gros.]

On proclamation being made in full hundred that if any one had anything to say why the will of Nich. le Gros, of Colchestre, should not have execution, Rob. Fraunceys and John Waryn produced a deed of feoffment made by William, son of testator, before the latter's death, to them of a messuage in Colchester, etc. It was decided that the said messuage was to remain to Agnes, wife of testator, for life, and on her death to be sold by Adam de Colne, the executor, according to terms of the will.

[Serious Charge against John Davy.]

John Davy was attached to reply to the Bailiffs that on the Feast of St. Mary Magdalen, 20th Edward III., he, when he was neither bailiff nor servant of the King, by assuming kingly power, arrested Joan Bacoun, took her to Rob. Sayer's house in the suburb, shut the door, and imprisoned her, stripped her of her clothes, and with drawn sword assaulted her, whereupon Rob. Sayer's wife raised hue, etc. The said John denied the charge, and an enquiry is ordered.

[Disputed Lands.]

Order was given to John atte Watere, sub-bailiff, to summon a Jury, on production of the King's Writ of Right by William fil. Nich. le Gros, concerning disputed lands bequeathed by his father, the tenants being John Lansele, John atte Hide, merchant, Ralph Knyght and Eliz. le Gros.

Membrane 11 *verso.*

It was witnessed by John atte Watere, sub-bailiff, that John Lansele, of Colchester, John atte Hide, merchant, Ralph Knyght, and Eliz. le Gros were summoned by John Lache and John Curteys to the next hundred, to reply to Wm. f. Nich. le Gros.

[N.B.—This entry should come below the Hundred on the Feast of St. Laurence.]

Cecilia Whitlyng complains of John Farthing and Agnes, his wife, trespass. Pledges, John atte Halle and J. atte Watere. John and Agnes find pledges, Reginald Cotelere and J. atte Watere.

Alan Honeleye de Wyston complains of John Hereward, debt. Pledges, J. Elyanore, J. atte Halle.

Cristina Herdler complains of John Ferthing and Agnes, his wife, trespass.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. Laurence [14th August].

Essoigns and *Membrane* 12.

Eliz. le Gros *v.* Will. f. Nich. le Gros, by Richard Clericus.
John Pegon *v.* Philippa Anneysedouhter, by Hugh Lucas.
Christina Wolf *v.* Ralph le Bakere, by John atte Watere.
John Hereward *v.* Alan Honeleye, by the same.
John Ferthyng *v.* Cecilia Whitlyng, by the same.
Agnes, his wife, *v.* the same, by Simon Lotoun.
John Ferthyng *v.* Cristina Herdler, by John atte Watere.
Agnes, his wife, *v.* the same, by Hugh Lucas.

John de Tenham for licence to come to terms with Joseph Elyanore. In mercy.
Nicholas Caperoun for licence to come to terms to Ralph Ode. In mercy.

[Burgess Admitted.]

John Ketel, jun., entered the Burgage, finding pledges, Richard Euesing, Nichs. Chapman, John atte Halle, and Bartholomew Deyne (?).

[Breaking a Cow's Leg.]

Wm. le Portherde and Nich. Caperoun, jun., plead not guilty to charge by John atte Halle, of trespass, viz., breaking the leg of a cow (price 10*sh.*) with a stick in the pasture near Kyngesmead.

The cases of Wm. f. Nich. le Gros *v.* Philip Rokeley and John Algod, mercer, and *v.* John Lansele, Robert and Eliz. Knyght, pleas of land, were adjourned.

Further distraint ordered on Avice Pye.

[Assize of Freshforce.]

John de Bottyngham, jun., complains of John de Bottyngham, sen., on plea of assize of freshforce. Pledges, Warin Parker and John Waryn. Hugh Lucas, sub-bailiff, was ordered to re-seise the tenement in question and summon a jury.

William Gamelyn pleaded not guilty to charge of a common assault on Aveline Smythes. An enquiry ordered.

Membrane 12.

Hundred, Colchester

MONDAY AFTER MICHAELMAS DAY [2ND OCTOBER].

Essoigns.

John Rokel *v.* Will. f. Nich. le Gros, by Jos. Elyanore.
John Lac, chaplain, *v.* Roger Morice, chaplain, by Hugh Lucas.
Matthew le Wryhte *v.* Adam Brom, by Ric. Clericus.
John Edward *v.* Thos. Bigeys, by Hugh Lucas.
John de Mareschal, sen., *v.* John Barbour, of Ipswich, and Joan, his wife, by Wm. de Ratlesden.
Matilda Kerdyf *v.* Stephen Botelmaker, by Hugh Lucas.
Cecily Kerdyf *v.* the same, by Ric. Clericus.

[THE ESTATE OF NICHOLAS LE GROS.—ACTION BY WILLIAM LE GROS and ELIZABETH LE GROS.]

William, son of Nich. le Gros, appeared against John Lansele on plea that he should restore to him 12 acres of land, etc., in the suburbs, which he claims as his right against the said John. The latter summoned by John Lache and John Curteys, as is witnessed by John atte Watere, sub-bailiff, did not come, but made default. The lands, therefore, were taken into the King's hands, and John to be summoned to the next hundred.

A similar charge against John atte Hide, merchant, for 4 acres of wood in the suburb, had the same result.

A similar charge against Ralph Knyght for 1¼ acres of meadow. Ralph appeared, and asked view to be made, which was granted, the sub-bailiff being ordered to take it.

A similar charge against Eliz. le Gros for 3 acres of land. Elizabeth appeared, and the sub-bailiff was ordered to take a view.

John Pegon and Margery, his wife, pleaded not guilty to a charge of common assault brought against them by Philippa Aneysedoulter, in Hethstrete. An enquiry ordered.

[BURGESS ADMITTED.]

Geoffrey Dawe, of Alesford, entered the Burgage, paying 10*sh.* fine on entry, and finding pledges, John Belch, Thos. de Nauton, John Baker, John atte Halle.

NOTE.—As stated by Henry Harrod, in his Report to the Colchester Town Council, 20th August, 1865, "not a fragment remains of the Rolls of the year of the great pestilence [1348-9], and but one Roll of the succeeding year, 24th and 25th [Edward III.], and that is in an almost illegible state." This fragment (one membrane only) here follows.

Roll VIII.

Court Roll 24 and 25 EDWARD III. (1350-1) FRAGMENT.

Hundred of Colchester

MONDAY AFTER FEAST OF NATIVITY OF ST JOHN BAPTIST [28TH JUNE, 1350].

[PRICE OF A HORSE, 30S.]

Essoigns.

Elias Springold *v.* Rose Moueroun, by Simon Lotoun.
Geoff. Haras for licence to come to terms with Geoffrey Lansele. In mercy.

Wm. Bottyngham for the same with Robert atte F . . . .
John Louekyn *v.* Walter Lopham, by Rob. Boche.
The said Walter *v.* the same John, by Sim. Lotoun.
John Busch attached by a horse, price 30*sh.*, with bit and bridle; insufficient and further distraint ordered.

[Burgess Admitted.]

William Chatham entered the Burgage, finding pledges, Adam de Colne, John Hall, Bartholomew Brude, and another.

Hundred

Wednesday, Feast of St. Peter and Paul [30th June].

Essoigns.

John Barbour *v.* John Levote, by John Hall.
John Levote *v.* J. Barbour, by Simon Lotoun.

Saturday after same Feast [3rd July].

The same John Levote *v.* J. Barbour, by Jo. Casteleyn.

Henry Barbour, in presence of the Bailiffs, came and surrendered.

Geoffrey Sawyer complains *v.* Wm. Bosard, trespass. Pledges to prosecute, John Maccok, Simon Lotoun.

John, Cook of St. John's Abbey, complains *v.* Henry Dysschwarde, trespass. Pledge, Robert Boche. Henry finds pledge, Wm. Aluethele.

John and Isabella Grocer complain *v.* Walter Abbot and Juliana, his wife, debt. Pledges, Jo. Casteleyn, Rob. Boche.

The said Walter and Juliana were attached to reply to the same, and find pledges, Ralph atte Watere and another.

Adam Souter complains *v.* John Granger, trespass. Pledges, John Hall and Richard Manston. John Granger's pledges being Richard Deyne and Thomas M ———.

Hundred

Monday after Translation of St. Thomas [12th July].

Essoigns.

Henry Dyschwarde *v.* John, Cook of the Abbey of St. John's, by William Aluethele.
Walter and Juliana Abbot *v.* John Grocer and Isabella, his wife, by Ric. Manston.
John Curtays *v.* John Salle, by John Casteleyn.
Agnes Broun *v.* John Westone, by Ric. de Manston.
John Westone *v.* Agn. Broun, by John Casteleyn.
John Louekyn *v.* Walter Lopham, by Rob. Beche.
Walter Lopham *v.* Jo. Louekyn, by John Casteleyn.
John Busche *v.* Jo. Dyke, by Symon Lotoun (and on *Membrane* 1 *verso*).
Ric. Packe *v.* Ric. Evesyng, by the same ,, ,,
Wm. Somenour *v.* Wm. Prentys, by Rob. Beche ,, ,,
John Dannyld (?) *v.* Adam Souter, by Ric. Manston ,, ,,
John atte Hache *v.* Rob. Schereman, by Robert Beche.
Rob. Schereman *v.* John atte Hache, by Jo. Casteleyn.
Rob. Granger *v.* Adam Soutere, by Rob. Beche.

John Levote for not appearing to reply to John Barbour. In mercy.

Matilda Crawestrat for not appearing to prosecute Richard Packe, and the latter not appearing to reply to the former. In mercy.

John Jussel was attached to reply to Adam le Turnour. Further distraint ordered.

[Will of John, Son of Nicholas le Deyere.]

Probate of the will of John f. Nich. le Deyere, bequeathing property to John and Emma, his children. Dated Friday after Palm Sunday, 1349. Executors: John, brother of the testator, and John J. Kelyngham.

Membrane 1 verso.

Ric. Vaus complains of John Swon, trespass. Pledges, John Casteleyn and John Cres . . . the said John Swon finding pledges, Robert Beche and Warin Parker.

John Meriewedir *v.* Thomas Wythermersh. Pledges to prosecute, Thos. Polsted and Richard Manston.

Hundred

Monday after Feast of St. James [26th July].

John atte Hall, attorney of Rob. atte Forde and Warin Parker *v.* John and Joan, his wife trespass, by Simon Lotoun.

The same *v.* John Pykeman. Day given.

Essoigns.

Walter Abbot and Juliana, his wife, *v.* John Grocer and Isabella, his wife, by Sim. Lotoun.
The said John and Isabella *v.* Walter and Juliana, by Ric. Manston.
John Curtays *v.* John Wills, by Sim. Lotoun.
Agnes Broun *v.* John Weston, by the same.
John Louekyn *v.* Walt. Lopham, by Jo. Casteleyn.
John atte Hall, attorney of Rog. Moneroun, *v.* Elias Springold, by Simon Lotoun.
Elias Springold *v.* Rog. Moneroun, by Rob. Beche.
Adam Souter *v.* John Graunger, by Jo. Casteleyn.
John Graunger *v.* Ad. Souter, by Ric. Manston.
John Swon *v.* Ric. Vaus, by Jo. Casteleyn.
Thos. Whythirmersch *v.* John Meryewedir, by Ric. Manston.
Geoffrey Sawyer *v.* Wm. Bosard, by Thomas Bulbek.
Wm. Bosard *v.* Geoff. Sawyer, by John Casteleyn.
John Weston *v.* Agn. Broun, by Thos. Brome.
Ric. Evesyng *v.* Ric. Packe, by Robert Beche.

Henry Dyschwarde for licence to come to terms with John Cook, of the Abbey of St. John's, Colchester. In mercy.

[Will of Roger Symund de la Hethe.]

The will of Roger Symund de la Hethe was proved before the bailiffs. His body to be buried in the cemetery of the church of La Hethe, and he bequeaths his house at New Heath to John Colyn, and on his death to Hen. Alphey, called the carter. Dated Friday after Feast of St. Mary Magdalen, 1350.

John Herde seeks licence to retire from his charge against Roger Bulbek.

A day given to John atte Hache, plaintiff, and Rob. Schereman, defendant.

[Burgess Admitted.]

Robert Holebrok entered the Burgage. Pledges, Clement le Deyere, Thomas Bulbek, Ric. Packe, John Markeshal. Fine, 10*sh.*

[Plea of Freshforce.]

Emma fil. Joh. fil. Nich. Deyere complains *v.* Rog. Alfred, plea of freshforce. Pledges, John Deyere, of Northstrat, and Rob. Beche, the said Roger's pledges being John Hecheman and Will. Tye.

Matilda de Elmham complains *v.* Emma Lauender, detention of goods. Pledges, Wm. Hadleye and J. Casteleyn, the said Emma's pledges being Wm. Deyre and Wm. Aluethele.

Hundred

Monday before Feast of St. Laurence, same year [9th August].

Essoigns.

Roger Alfred *v.* Emma f. Joh. f. Nich. Deyere, by Philip Rokele.
Walter Abbot and Juliana, his wife, *v.* John Grocer, by John Casteleyn.
John and Isabella Grocer *v.* the Bailiffs, and Juliana Abbot, by Simon Lotoun.
Andrew Broun *v.* Joh. Weston, by Rob. Beche.
John Dawnyl *v.* Adam Soutere, by Ric. Manstone.
Rose Moneroun *v.* Elias Springold, by John atte Halle.
John Graunger *v.* Adam le Soutere, by John Castelayn.
John Swon *v.* Ric. Vaus, by Rob. Beche.
Thomas Whythermersch *v.* John Meriewedir, by Simon Lotoun.
Geoffr. Sawyer *v.* Will. Bosard, by Simon Lotoun.
Wm. Bosard *v.* the said Geoffrey, by Ric. Manston.
Wm. Craft *v.* Elias Herde, by Will. Hadleye.

John Weston for not prosecuting Agnes Broun. In mercy.
Ric. Vaus „ „ John Suon. In mercy.
John Louekyn „ „ Walt. Lopham. In mercy.
John Busch „ „ John Dyke. „
Day given to Will. Prentys, plaintiff, and Wm. Somenour, defendant.
Day given to Ric. Evesyng, plaintiff, and Ric. Packe, defendant.
John Curtays for not appearing to answer John Balle; he and his pledges in mercy.
Rob. Scherewill for not appearing to answer John atte Bathe; he and his pledges in mercy.

Roll IX.

Membrane 1.

Roll of Pleas, Fines, and Amercements

OF THE BOROUGH OF COLCHESTER.

From Michaelmas 25th Edward III., for one year (1351-1352), in the time of MATTHEW F. ROBERTI and WILLIAM DE LA FERMERYE, Bailiffs of Colchester.

[Little John.]

Essoigns.

Johanna Pecok *v.* "Litel Jon," by Richard de Manston.
The said "Litel Jon" *v* J. Pecok, by R. Beche.
John atte Nassch *v.* Ric. Mercyer, by Rob. Beche.
John Leyre *v.* Rob. Arwesmyht, by Ric. Manston.

Robert Arwesmyht *v.* John Leyre, mercyer, by Rob. Beche.
John Danewey *v.* Alan Webbe, by John Castel.
Alan Webbe *v.* John Danewey, by Rob. Beche.
John Machon *v.* G. Chapman, whence an enquiry by Rob. Beche.
Richard Packe *v.* Ric. Kyng, by Rob. Beche.
Ric. Kynge *v.* Ric. Packe, by Warin Parker.

Ric. Mercyer for not coming to prosecute John atte Nasch. He and his pledges in mercy.

John Meryewedir for not coming to reply to Roger Chamberlayn, trespass. In mercy. Ordered to find four pledges against next hundred.

John Smythiot for not replying to John Pope, trespass. In mercy. To find four pledges, etc.

Day given for Rob. Goode, jun., and Geoff. Haras in plea of trespass.

Day given for John atte Hill and John Crouchman.

John Smart for licence to come to terms with Rob. Joye. In mercy.

[Prior of St. Botolph's Attorney.]

The Prior of St. Botolph appoints, in presence of the Bailiffs, as his attorney, Robert Beche, to do suit de communi for him up to Michaelmas.

Essoigns (de communi).

Joseph Dauber, by Wm. Mayhew, came.
Ric. Sayer, by Rob. Beche, excused as he is beyond sea.
Will. Buk, by Rob. Beche.
Walt. Pistor, chaplain, by Wm. Mayhew, by J. Castel, attorney.
Will. Prentys, by Rob. Beche, came not.
Ric. Deygher, by ,, came not.
Joan Pecok, by ,, came.
Sibil Gerneys, by ,, came.
Joan Loucanor, by ,, came.
Ric. Couper, by ,,
Dom. John Ode, by ,, came.
Abbot of St. Johns, by ,, by R. Beche, attorney.
Tho. Howe, by John atte Hyd, came not.
Robert f. Ric. de Colne, by Adam de Colne, came not.
Will. Bottyngham, by Dom. John Cosford, came not.

[Abbot of St. Osyth.]

The Abbot of St. Osyth for not coming to do his suit for his Hall de la Miland. In mercy.

Isabella Chapman for the same, in mercy, for lands in Colchester.

Ric. Bergholte for his suit released to him "de communi," for his tenement in the market place. Made fine.

Will. Hadleye for suit of the lease of John Lansele released to him. Made fine.

Richard Danesey for his suit released. Made fine.

[Customs and Tolls Leased to Roger Belch.]

Matthew fil. Roberti and William Fermerye, Bailiffs, leased to Roger Belch all customs and tolls belonging to the King and Commonalty for certain land by the water, viz., from Friday after Michaelmas Day 25 Edward III. for a year [*i.e.*, from September 30, 1351], for £35 rent, to be paid on the Feast of Exaltation of Holy Cross, for which payment he finds pledges, John Deyghere, Bartholomew Dryver, John atte Forde, Ric. Bradewey, Adam atte Welle, John Boyn.

[Sergeants Elected.]

John Castelayn, Will. Mayhew, and Rob. Arundell, sergeants elected by the community, took the oath that they would execute judgments, etc., etc. and found the following pledges, viz. :—

John Castelayn	- -	Robert Fraunceys, Will. Hadleye, Richard Bradewey, and John Seyer.
Will. Mayhew	- -	John atte Forde, Simon Lotoun, [John] Grocer, and Geoff. Marchal.
Rob. Arundell	- -	John Halle, Will. Hadleye, Rob. Fraunceys, and John Grocer.

Robert Munde for licence to come to terms with Hy. Carter. In mercy.

— Sexteyn for raising hue on Will. Prille, unjustly. In mercy, by the hand of Will. Caldewell.

— Page, servant of Will. March, for drawing blood on Margaret, wife of the latter. In mercy by the hand of Tho. Palfreyman.

[John] Cardemaker for assaulting Tho. Gottes. In mercy.

Membrane 1 verso.

[Beersellers Fined.]

For selling beer contrary to the assize, and fined.

And on m. 3 *v.*,	5 *v.*	Roger Chamberlayn's wife	And on m. 3 *v.*,	5 *v.*	John Leyr's wife
,,	,,	Ric. Barbour's widow	,,	,,	John Fynch's wife
,,	,,	Wm. March's wife	,,	,,	John Weston's wife
,,	,,	John Pood's wife	,,	,,	Emma Cook
,,	,,	John Algood's wife	,,	,,	Alice Skynner
,,	,,	Wm. Maldon's wife	,,	,,	Peter Chapman's wife
,,	,,	John Soler's wife	,,	,,	Ric. Cofford's wife
,,	,,	Will. Hury's wife	,,	,,	John Sweyn's wife
,,	,,	Will. Clare's wife	,,	,,	Ralph Baldewyne's wife
,,	,,	John Altherhegge's wife	,,	,,	John Sewale's wife
,,	,,	John Godard's wife	,,	,,	John Hetheman's wife
,,	,,	Adam Sabrugh's wife	,,	,,	Joan Rumbold
,,	,,	Will. Speller's wife	,,	,,	Tho. Ferrour's wife
,,	,,	Will Prentys's wife	,,	,,	Bartholomew Dryver's wife
,,	,,	John Adburton's wife	,,	,,	Ric. Tenham's wife
,,	,,	John Deyer's wife	,,	,,	John Craft's wife
,,	,,	Robert Kedyngton's wife	,,		Matilda Glover
,,	,,	John Scotlond's wife	,,	,,	John Rady's wife
,,	,,	John Machon's wife	,,	,,	Thos. Lane's wife
,,	,,	Warin Parker's wife	,,	,,	Thos. Fuller's wife
,,	,,	John Frere's wife	,,		Philippa Pecok
,,	,,	Thos. Deynes's wife	,,	,,	John Kyng's wife
,,	,,	Ric. Wymbysch's wife	,,	,,	Tho. Markishal's wife
		John Pebemersch's wife	,,	,,	Adam Botiller's wife
,,		John Pykeman's wife	,,	,,	Magota Bassebrok
,,	,,	Will. Bacoun's wife	,,	,,	John Elys's wife
,,	,,	Will. Mate's wife	,,	,,	Peter Baker's wife
,,		Will. Petter's wife	,,	,,	Hen. Smyht's wife
,,	,,	John Broundon's wife	,,	,,	Ric. Evesynge's wife
		Ric. Packe's wife	,,	,,	Catherine Deyer

And on m. 3 *v.*, 5 *v.* Simon Lotoun's wife
" " Geoffr. Haras's wife
" " Ric. Dyngaryht's wife
" " Hy. Barbour's wife
" " John atte Hyd's wife

And on m. 3 *v.*, 5 *v.* Ric. Couper's wife
" " John Saburgh's wife
" " Rob. Mauncer's wife
" " Will. Gylle's wife
John Algod's wife, skynner

[Wine Sellers Fined.]

For selling wine against the assize.

And on m. 5 *v.* Roger Gaoler
3 *v.*, " John atte Forde
" " Adam atte Welle

Richard Sayer
Robert Fraunceys
Simon Lotoun

[Fined for Forestalling Poultry, Dairy, Etc.]

And on m. 3 *v.*, 5 *v.* Agnes Welke
" " Joan Portherde
" " Alice Dounyng
Richard Peddere, of Hethstret
" " Robert Sage
" " Milcentia Ryekes

And on m. 3 *v.* John Malter
" 5 *v.* Ric. Holde
" " Agnes, wife of John Hyd
Rose Schelleye
Sibil Frigge
" " Alice Bayer

[Millers Fined.]

For taking excessive toll and against the assize.

And on m. 3 *v.*, 5 *v.* John Smart, farmer of Estmelne.
" Will. Speller, farmer of Bournemelne.
Thos. Deyn, farmer of New Mill.

[Various Presentments.]

They also present that:—

John Solers struck, etc., John Ferthyng, who raised hue on the same justly. In mercy.

John, servant of Thos. Mauncer, for shedding the blood of Ralph, servant of the same Thomas. In mercy.

The Abbot of St. John's, for keeping his ditch unscoured at "Le Wronggeook."

The Prior of St. Botolph for a similar offence.

That Will. Portherd is accustomed to fish on the river bank, and is not a Burgess.

That John Juscard has made a pit in the King's way at Morestret, digging sand.

That John Solas, not a Burgess, loads the common pasture with his beasts.

That John Tok, Peter Leuegor, merchehyngg, Rose Kyng, John atte Cherche, John Meluere, Simon atte Cherche, Havise Sayer, commit the same offence.

That Alice Wypet is a common scold (garrulatrix) and disturber of the peace.

That Cristina, wife of John Ferthyng, is a common scold (rixatrix) and disturber of the peace.

That Joan Hereward does the same.

The Abbot of St. John's has enclosed a certain croft of land . . . . . a common burgess, called Oldegatisfeld.

Membrane 2

Roger Bolle and Petronilla, his wife, *v.* John Hoo and Cristina, his wife, trespass. Pledges to prosecute, Henry Cartere and Peter Cartere. The defendants' pledges being Bartholomew Dryuer and Hy. Cartere.

Rob. Northburgh, parson of Colne Wake, complains *v.* John Pegon, debt. Plaintiff's pledges, John Dollard and Rob. Beche. Defendant's pledges, Rob. Bassebrook and Wm. Mahew.

Richard Peddere complains *v.* Thos. Wyse, trespass. Pledges for plaintiff, Ric. Manston and John Heyre. Pledges for defendant, Wm. Mahew and Rob. Beche.

Hundred

Monday after Feast of St. Calixtus [17th October].

Essoigns.

John Pegon *v.* Rob. de Northburgh, by Wm. Mayhew.
John Wyse *v.* Ric. Poddere, by Wm. Mayhew.
John Pecok *v.* Lytel Jon, by John Casteleyn.
Lytel Jon *v.* John Pecok, by Rob. Beche.
John Leyre *v.* Rob. Arwesmyht, by Rob. Beche.
John Danewey *v.* Alan Webbe, by Wm. Mayhew.
Alan Webbe *v.* the said John, by Rob. Beche.
Ric. Packe *v.* Ric. Kyng, by Rob. Beche.
Ric. Kyng *v.* Ric. Packe, by Wm. Mayhew.
Ric. Packe *v.* Ralph Fuller, by Rob. Beche.
John Leyre *v.* John Tylneke, by Rob. Beche.
John Machon *v.* Geoffrey Chapman, by Rob. Beche.

The following did not appear to warrant their essoigns de communi, viz., Wm. Buk, Wm. Prentys, Ric. Deygher, Thos. Howe, Rob. fil. Ric. de Colne, Wm. Bottyngham, and were fined 6*d.* each.

[Unsound Meat.]

John Canon for selling unsound meat in a place not accustomed, etc. Fined 4*d.*

Ric. Peddere for not prosecuting Thos. Wyse, he and his pledges in mercy, and Thomas goes quit.

Thos. Gottes for falling (quia incidit versus) on John Cardemaker. In mercy.

The Bailiffs ordered J. Castell to put John Meryewedyr by great distraint to reply to Rog. Chaumberlayn. The said J. Castell certifies that he would not find pledges so distrains him by an iron dish and other brass things, value 6*d.* Further distraint ordered.

John Elbin complains of John and Rose Bentleye, trespass. Plaintiff's pledges, Roger Alfred, Philip Rokele. Defendant's pledges, Richard Deyer, John Saburgh.

[Burgess Admitted.]

Roger atte Roche entered the burgage, taking the oaths, etc., and finding pledges, Warin Parker, Simon Lotoun, Longe Jon, and Ric. Manston. Fine, 10*sh.*

[Moorland in Dispute—"Force and Arms Alleged."]

Ralph Fuller pleads not guilty to the charge of Richard Packe, who alleges that Ralph came with force and arms by the way which he has towards his moor, acquired from Robert Frauncis, in Colchester suburb, and drove a horse and mare of the said Ralph to the latter's hedge between the moors of the said Ralph and Robert; which horse and mare ate the green beans beyond the hedge, and destroyed the barley, as well as the boundary and cast nettles and other weeds into the said Richard's land, etc.

[Flesh without the Skin—"Fines which Arundel has."]

For coming to market with flesh for sale without the skin contrary to custom, the following pay fines "which Arundel has,"* viz., William Skynnere, William Spyllyng, Stephen Sleyter.

John de Leyre, mercer, complains against Rob. Arwesmyth on plea of covenant. Pledges for prosecution, Warin Parker, William Mayhew. Pledges for defence, John Pood and Robert Beche.

Thomas Bonde complains against John Cardemaker, trespass. Pledges for prosecution, Wm. Mayhew, Rob. Loode. Pledges for defence, Geoff. Chapman, John Paccard.

Hundred

Monday, Vigil of All Saints [31st October] in the same year.

Essoigns.

John Pegon *v.* Dom. Rob. de Northburgh, parson of Colne, debt, by Wm. Mayhew.
John Pecok *v.* Lytel Johan, by the same.
Lytel Johan *v.* J. Pecok, by Rob. Beche.
John Danewey *v.* Alan Webbe, by John Casteleyn.
Alan Webbe *v.* John Danewey, by John Halle.
John Cardemaker *v.* Thos. Bonde, by Rob. Beche.
Thos. Bonde *v.* the said John, by Wm. Mayhew.

Rob. Arwesmyht for attacking John Leyre. In mercy.
Rose Schelleye for coming to terms with John Blome. In mercy.
The said Rose for shedding the said John's blood. In mercy.
John [Mery]wedir for attacking Roger Chamberlayn. In mercy.

Membrane 2 verso.

[About a Horse.]

Rob. Lood, cobbler, pleaded not guilty to charge brought by Roger Syttler that he hired a horse from him (on Wednesday before SS. Simon and Jude) for eightpence at Benhal, which he ought to have returned on the following Thursday, but failed to do so. Ordered to be distrained.

John Leyre, taillour, pleaded not guilty to charge brought against him by John Tylneke for an assault on the Feast of St. Matthew [21st October], 25 Edward III.

[A Hoe Taken by Violence. Geoffrey's Pig.]

THE ENQUIRY held by Edmund Thormad, Ric. Leyre, John Curtays, Rob. Pekham, John Lyndraper, Adam Saburgh, John Sage, William Salysby, Wm. Ode, John Meryewedir, John Tylnek, and Thos. Deynes, jurors, in the suit between Richard Kyng and Richard Packe, find that Ric. Packe struck and took from Ric. Kyng a hoe (sarpa), for which 12*d.* was claimed.

And in the suit between Geoffrey Chapman and John Malhoun, that the latter broke no covenant concerning the said lead, nor is he guilty of damaging the said Geoffrey's pig. Geoffrey is, therefore, in mercy for the false complaint, and John is acquitted.

Roger Chamberlayn complains against Joan Hereward, trespass. Pledges for prosecution, Wm. Hadleye, Robert Beche. Pledges for defence (none named).

Richard Manston complains against Rog. Hootfoot, trespass. Pledges for prosecution, Wm. Mayhew, Rob. Beche. Pledges for defence, John atte Hyd, Geoffr. Marchal.

*Robert Arundell was elected one of the three sergeants at Michaelmas, 1351. See page 220.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. Martin [13th November].

Essoigns.

Rog. Chamberlayn *v.* Joan Hereward, by Rob. Beche.
John Pegon *v.* Dom. Rob. de Northburgh, by Wm. Mayhew.
John Pecok *v.* Lytel Johan, by John Castelayn.
Lytel Johan *v.* John Pecok, by Rob. Beche.
John Cardemaker *v.* Thos. Bonde, by Rob. Beche.
Thos. Bonde *v.* said John, by Wm. Mayhew.
Ric. Packe *v.* Ralph Fuller, by Rob. Beche.
John Leyre, tayllour, *v.* John Tylneke, by W. Mayhew.
Rog. Hootfoot *v.* Ric. Manston, by Rob. Beche.

[Insufficient Distraint.]

Joan Hereward attached by a plate and brass posnet; this being insufficient it is ordered to take more against next hundred.

John Leire, mercer, for licence to come to terms with Rob. Arwesmyht. In mercy.

[Another Fine for Sergeant Arundel.]

Rob. Lod for the same with Rog. Syttler. In mercy. Arundel has it [*i.e.*, the fine 3*d.*].

Adam Costyn, of Bergholt, complains against Ric. Mercer. Pledges to prosecute, John Saburgh, Adam Sa . . . Pledges to defend, John Grocer, Ric. Ram.

Wm. Bacon complains against Agnes Ferthyng, trespass. Pledges to prosecute, Rob. Bassebrok, John Kott. Pledges to defend, John Machoun, Wm. Mayhew.

Hundred

Monday after Feast of St. Katharine [25th November].

Essoigns

Agnes Ferthyng *v.* Wm. Bacon, by John Casteleyn.
Ric. Packe *v.* Ralph Fullere, by Wm. Mayhew.
John Leyre, taillour, *v.* John Tylneke, by the same.
Roger Hotfot *v.* Ric. Manston, by Rob. Beche.

John Cardemaker for licence to come to terms with Thomas Bonde. In mercy.

[Six Pounds of "Warent."]

Richard Mercyer attached to reply to Adam Costyn, of Bergholte Saukevyll, who says that the former sold to him on Wednesday after St. Martin's Day at Colchester, six pounds "Warent" [? some kind of flesh which had been warranted] for 22 pence, which six pounds he warranted to the same, but turning out "putrid and old," he broke his agreement. Charge denied; adjourned to next hundred.

[Price of Wheat 5s. per Quarter.]

John Pegon attached to reply to Robert de Northburgh, who says that on Thursday after Quadragesima Sunday at Colchester, Robert sold John Dowar and John Pegon 23 quarters of best wheat for 115*sh.* 7½*d.*, but that John Pegon has not paid his share of the money. The latter pleads not guilty, etc.

Day given to John Pecok and Lytel Jon.

Membrane 3.

Robert Arwesmyht complains against Roger Bulbek. Pledges to prosecute, John Hall and Robert Beche.

Wm. Mahew complains against Robert Lood, cobbler, trespass. Pledges to prosecute, John Castel[ayn] and Rob. Arundel. Pledges to defend, Wm. Ode, Thos. Bonde.

John Parles complains against Roger Hootfoot. Pledge to prosecute, Rob. Beche.

Hundred

Monday after Feast of Conception of Blessed Virgin Mary [12th December].

Essoigns.

Agnes Ferthyng *v.* Wm. Bacoun, by Wm. Mahew.
John Leyre, taillour, *v.* Joh. Tylneke, by Rob. Beche.
Roger Hottfott *v.* Ric. Marston, by the same.
Richard Mercier *v.* Adam Costyn, by the same.
John Pegon *v.* Dom. Robert de Northburgh, by John Castel[ayn].
Wm. Bacoun *v.* Agn. Ferthyng, by Rob. Beche.

Robert Lood for licence to come to terms with Wm. Mahew. In mercy.

John Smithiet for licence to come to terms with John Pope. In mercy.

[Burgess Admitted.]

Richard Wyse, of Salcote, entered the Burgage, and took the oaths. [The entry is incomplete, and the names of the sureties are not given.]

Distraint ordered on John Heward to appear to answer Roger Gaoler, for trespass; also on Roger Bulbek to be at the next hundred to answer Robert Arwesmyht.

[An Assault Admitted.]

Gunnora Sweyn del Miland complains of Wm. atte Melne and Sarra, his wife, trespass. Pledges to prosecute, Wm. atte Noke and Wm. Mahew. Defendants found no pledges, but came of their own accord (gratis) in presence of the bailiffs, and acknowledged that they drew blood from plaintiff, and paid fine.

[Unsound Meat.]

John Canon paid fine for unsound meat taken, which John Cast[elayn] has.

John Barbour, skynner, complains against John Taillour. Pledges, John Pykeman, Wm. Mayhew. The plaintiff's pledges are John Soler and Wm. Schathere.

Richard Wymbysch complains against Wm. Westwode. Pledges, John Soller and Joan Pykeman. Plaintiff's pledges, John Rokel and Adam de Colne.

Edmund Fuller complains against John Dyke. Pledges to prosecute, Wm. Mahew and Rob. Beche.

Hundred

Monday, Feast of St. Stephen [26th December].

Essoigns.

Agnes Ferthyng *v.* Wm. Bacoun, by Wm. Mahew.
Ric. Mercyer *v.* Adam Costyn, by Rob. Beche.
John Pegon *v.* Rob. de Northburgh, by R. Beche

[illegible]

Wm. Westwode *v.* Ric. Wymbyssh, by the same.
Adam Costyn *v.* Ric. Mercyer, by Wm. Mahew.

John Barbour for not appearing to prosecute John Tayllour, he and his pledges in mercy, and latter to go free.

Roger Hotfot for licence to come to terms with Richard Manston, in mercy, but pardoned by consent of the commonalty.

Cases adjourned: John Tylneke *v.* John Leyre.
,, Ric. Packe *v.* Ralph Fuller.

[Bear Lane ?]

John Dyke pleads not guilty to an assault on Edm. Fuller in Berislane in the liberty of Colchester. On an enquiry he is found guilty, and must pay 18*d.* damages, and is in mercy for his false defence, 2*d.*

The said Edmund Fuller is acquitted on a similar charge of assault on Agnes, wife of the said John, who is in mercy for the false charge.

Wm. Fermery complains against John Bakere, trespass. Pledges to prosecute, John Instar, Rob. Beche. Pledges to defend, John Soler and Rob. Taillour.

Richard de Borham, clerk, *v.* Peter Machehyngg, trespass. Pledges, Wm. Clare and Rob. Beche.

Wm. Clare complains against the said Peter. Pledges, Wm. Hury and Rob. Beche.

Lawehundred

Monday after Feast of St. Hilary [16th January, 1352].

Essoigns.

Richard Mercyer *v.* Adam Costyn, by John Castelayn.
John Pegon *v.* Rob. de Northburgh, by Wm. Mayhew.
Wm. atte Melne and Sarra, his wife, *v.* Gunnora Sweyn, by Wm. Mayhew.
Richard Westwode *v.* Richard Wymbysch, by John Castelayn.
Gunnora Sweyn *v.* Wm. atte Melne and Sarra, his wife, by Adam Stevene.
John Bakore *v.* Wm. Fermerye, by Rob. Beche.

Wm. Bacon for not appearing to prosecute Agnes Ferthyng. In mercy.

Edm. le Fuller has a day at next hundred *v.* John Dyke, and John Dyke similarly.

Also John Tylneke *v.* John Leyre.

Because Wm. Mahew certifies that Peter Machehyng would not find pledges to reply to Dom. Richard de Boreham, clerk, and Wm. Clare, in plea of trespass, his body to be taken, etc.

[Dispute about Barley.]

ENQUIRY, taken between Richard Packe and Ralph Fullere, says that the former may recover for 2 bushels of barley, and Ralph in mercy.

["Gastell."]

Joan Howard distrained by 10 pounds and a half of candles, 11 pennyworth of gastell [a sort of cake], and simnel [bread], and one towel, price altogether 2*sh.* Ordered to further distrain.

Membrane 3 *verso.*

[Burgesses Admitted.]

Entered the burgage, taking the oaths and paying fine 10*sh.*

John Paynot. Pledges, Rog. Belch, John Alayn, John atte Forde, Thos. Markishal.

Wm. Heyrere. Pledges, John Causton, Rob. Mancer, Rob. Bech, and John Castelayn.

Essoigns de communi.

John Pood, by Wm. Holton.
John Graunger, by John Algod.
Prior of St. Cross Hospital, by Robert Beche.
John Scotlond, by Wm. Mahew.
Richard Deyer, by Rob. Beche.
John Pykeman, by Adam de Colne.
Sibil Gerveys, by John Castelayn.
Wm. Maldon, by Robert Beche.
Rob. de Colne, by Adam de Colne.
Robert Fraunceys, by Wm. Mayhewe.

["For not Doing Suit."]

The Abbot of St Osyth for not doing suit for his Hall of La Miland. In mercy, 20*sh.*

Isabella Chapman for the same for her lands, etc., within the liberty of Colchester. In mercy, 12*d*

Peter Norampton, chaplain, for the same for his tenement in Stokwellstrat. In mercy, 6*d.*

[Fined for Breaking the Assize.]

In addition to those on membrane 1 verso, fined for breaking the assize of beer, wine, forestalling, etc., the following new offenders are named:—

Beer: Peter Webbe's wife, Wm atte Watere's wife (and *Membrane* 5 *verso*).

Wine: Rog. Chamberlayn, Rog. Hotfot (and *Membrane* 5 *verso*).

Forestallers: Ric. Hydman, Agnes Gyppes, Ad. Mustarder, Nich. Cook.

Mill toll offenders: Thos. Knop, Bournmeln; John Baker, Oldmill.

Diggers of clay in the highways: John Waller and Arnulph Ketil at Morestret.

[Washing Clothes and Vessels in Stock Well.]

Also presented that Adam Mustarder washes clothes and vessels in Stokwell, etc.

[Measled Meat.]

That John Canon sold measled meat in a place not sanctioned.

[Non-Burgesses Fined for Trading.]

That Wm. Spyllyng buys and sells and is not a burgess, etc.

That Geoffrey Abbot, of Old Heth, Thos. Beywode, Wm. Springeld, John Hobbe, do the same. In mercy.

[The Common Pasture.]

That John Cok, Sampson Fuller, Ralph Boldero, Ralph Fuller, John Benhal, John Castelayn, Ric. Holde, Richard Kyng, Peter Machchyng, Ralph Smart, John Nevard, Wm. Aylmar, John atte Cherche, Simon, his brother, Hawise Sayer, burden the common pasture of the Borough to the prejudice of the commonalty.

[Assaults and other Offences.]

That John atte Cherche and Maurice Helder assaulted John, servant of Thomas Stisted, at Lexden, who raised hue justly.

That Christian Ventouser, John Goldsmyht, Richard Cosford, John Wheler, Margery Baker, John Mason, John Tylnek, John Webbe, Wm. Paccard, make [nuisance] opposite their houses in the highway.

John Gylle struck, etc., Wm. atte Hill, drawing blood.

That Wm. Craft struck Wm. Morekyn, drawing blood.

That John atte Yerd, farmer of Thos. Howe's land at Greusted, enclosed a certain road.

Membrane 4.

Still the Lawehundred, Monday after Feast of St. Hilary [16th January, 1352].

[Will of John Loton.]

The will of John Loton proved in the said hundred. The will was dated Tuesday after St. Peter ad Vincula (4th August, 1332), and bequeathed to Alice, his wife, his tenement and shop in Colchester marketplace with curtilage, etc., extending to Maysterjonys lane. Executors, Matthew f. Roberti and Thos. Fraunceys.

[Will of Alice Loton.]

The will of Alice, widow of John Loton, dated Vigil of St. Laurence [9th Aug.], 1332, in which she leaves the property left her by her husband (as above), and two acres of land in Monekedoune, in the suburb lying between the land of Warin atte Well and Juliana Gray, his wife, which she acquired from Matthew fil. Roberti le Verrer and Dom. John Boleyne, rector of St. Runwald, of Colchester, executors of the will of the late Crist' le Verrer, and 5 acres called Colettelond, acquired from the same in the suburb near Smalelane, to be sold for the use of her children. Executers, Matthew f. Roberti, and Thos. Fraunceys.

William Deyer complains against Felicia Joye. Pledges to prosecute, Thomas Naunton and John Norampton. Pledges to defend, John Russel and Stephen Dauber.

Idonea Curtays complains against Adam Pariour, trespass. Pledges to prosecute, Warin Parker and Will Mayhew. Pledges to defend, John Causton and Will Prentys.

Thomas Stisted complains against John atte Cherche, trespass. Pledges to prosecute, Will. Hadleye and Peter Chapman.

The same complains of Maurice Helder, trespass.

Wm. Lamb complains against John Thressher, jun. Pledges to prosecute, John Frere and Wm. Mahew. Pledges to defend, Ric. Bergholt and John Thresschere, sen.

Hundred

Monday after Conversion of St. Paul [30th January, 1352].

Essoigns.

Felicia Joye *v.* Will. Deyere, by Rob. Beche.
Wm. Fermerye *v.* John Baker, by the same.
John Baker *v.* Wm. Fermerye, by Wm. Mayhew.
John Leyre *v.* John Tylneke, by Wm. Mayhew.
John Dyke *v.* Edm. Fuller, by the same.
Edm. Fuller *v.* John Dyke, by Wm. Mahew.
Roger Bulbek *v.* Rob. Arwesmyht, by Wm. Mahew.
Adam Pariour *v.* Idonea Curtays, by John Causton.
Joan Hereward *v.* Roger Gaoler, by Wm. Mahew.
John Baker *v.* Wm. Feryng, by Rob. Beche.

Richard Wymbysch for not appearing to prosecute Wm. Westwode. In mercy.
Wm. atte Melne for licence to come to terms with Gunnora Sweyn. In mercy.
Peter Machchyngg similarly with Ric. de Borham and Wm. Clare. In mercy.
John Graunger for not coming to warrant his essoign, "de communi." In mercy.
John Scotlond for the same. In mercy.
Richard Seyer for the same. In mercy.
Richard Mercier for attacking Adam Costentyn. In mercy.
John Thresher for drawing blood from Wm. Lamb made fine.

[Insufficiently Tanned Leather.]

Roger Horkesleye did fine for leather not sufficiently tanned.
Wm. Tye, for the same, did fine.

[Price of Corn.]

The bakers' bread was taken and weighed on Thursday after Epiphany [12th Jan., 1352]. John Leyr, Will. Clare, Thos. Deynes, and John Baktre being summoned, who say that the price of better corn is 15*d.*; Seconds, 14*d.*; Thirds, 13*d.*

The following were fined for short weight:—

John Baker	in penny loaf,	35*sh.* 3*d.*	Fine	43*sh.* 9*d.*	
Tho. Deyn	,,	,, 23*sh.* 10*d.*	,,	29*sh.*	
John Dollard	,,	,, 20*sh.* 10*d.*	,,	25*sh.*	
John Pulham	,,	,, 20*sh.*	,,	20*sh.*, but 10*sh.* condoned.	
Rob. Goode	,,	,, 9*sh.* 4*d.*	,,	2*sh.*	
Wm. Bacoun	,,	,, 12*sh.*	,,	15*sh.*	
John Pegon	,,	,, 10*sh.*	,,	40*d.*	

Tenement "for life" between East and West Stockwell Streets.]

Joan, widow of Wm. Balle, of Peldon, produced a charter before the bailiffs, which John, son and heir of William, coming of age and being admitted tenant, acknowledged. The charter was as follows: Grant by John, son and heir of Wm. Balle, of Peldon, to Joan, his mother, of a tenement in Colchester, between Eststokwellestr. and Weststokwellestrat for her life. Witnesses, Matthew f. Roberti and Robert Fraunceys, Bailiffs, Adam Waryn, Wm. Hadleye, Richard Evesyng, Warin Parker, Robert Beche, clerk.

Dated Feast of St. Petronilla, 24th Edward III. [31st May, 1350].

Membrane 4 *verso.*

[Other "Charters" Produced.]

Geoffrey Dawe and John Aleyn produce before the Bailiffs a charter of grant by Wm. Caperoun and Christiana, his wife, sister and heir of John le Belch, to the said Geoffrey and John of an annual rent of 40*sh.* arising from lands in the liberty of Colchester. Dated Feast of St. Hilary, 25th Edward III. [1352].

The said Geoffrey also produces a charter of grant to him by John Frere, of two acres of land within the liberty. Dated 18th March, 26th Edward III. [1352].

Philippa Pecok complains *v.* Geoffrey Marchal. Pledges to prosecute, Rob. Beche and John Castelayn. Pledges to defend, Wm. Clare and John Castelayn.

Wm. Morekyn complains *v.* Wm. Craft. Pledges to prosecute John Algod and John Graunger.

Hundred

Monday after Feast of St. Scholastica [12th February].

Essoigns.

Geoffrey Marchal *v.* Philippa Pecok, by J. Castelayn.
Felicia Joye *v.* Wm. Deyere, by Wm. Mayhew.
John Dyke *v.* Edm. Kersey, by John Hall.
The same *v.* the same, by Rob. Beche.
John Leyre *v.* John Tylneke, by Wm. Mahew.
Roger Bulbek *v.* Rob. Arwesmyht, by John Arundel.
Robert Arwesmyht *v.* said Roger, by Rob. Beche.
Joan Hereward *v.* Rog. Gaoler, by Wm. Mahew.
Peter, servant of John Frere *v.* John Thesher, by Wm. Mahew.
Wm. Lamb *v.* the said John, by Rob. Beche.
John Schepherde *v.* the same, by John Casteleyn.
Wm. Deyer *v.* Felicia Deyere, by John Hall.

Adam Pariour for licence to come to terms with Idonea Curteys. In mercy, 3*d.*, which W. Mahew has by the hands of J. Causton.

John Pegon for licence to come to terms with Rob. de Northburgh. In mercy, 6*d.*

Wm. March acknowledges that he drew blood from Adam Clerk Made fine, 12*d.*

["Marchalyslond."]

Geoffrey Dawe produced to the Bailiffs a charter of grant to him by Thomas Juscard, chaplain, of land in Marchalyslond in the suburb of Colchester. Dated Sunday after Feast of St. Luke [23rd October], 25th Edward III. [1351].

Wm. Kyng complains against Henry Myddelburgh. Pledges to prosecute, Richard Hardyng, Richard Gray. Pledges to defend, Wm. Mahew, Ric. Cosford.

John Causton *v.* Idonea Curtays. Pledges for prosecution, Ric. Bradewey, Henry Bosse. Pledges for defence, John Juscard, Wm. Mahew.

John Hall *v.* Wm. Caperoun. Pledges to prosecute, Rob. Beche and John Castelayn. Pledges to defend, Geoffrey Dawe and John Cosyn.

John Hall *v.* Peter Machchyng, trespass. Defendant's pledges, John Louekyn, John Castel.

The same *v.* John Kyng. Defendant's pledges, Peter de Machchyng, John Castelayn.

Hundred, Colchester

Monday after Feast of St. Matthias [26th February, 1352].

Essoigns (with nine others at preceding court).

Hen. Middelburgh *v.* Wm. Kyng, by Warin Parker.
Wm. Caperoun *v.* John Hall, by John Castelayn.
Will. Craft *v.* Wm. Machyn, by Wm. Mahew.

Nicholas Skynnere for drawing blood on Idonea Curteys. Paid fine, 3*d.*

Adam atte Cherche for not appearing to reply to Wm. March. In mercy.

Day given to Jonn Causton and Idonea Curtays.

John Baktre for licence to come to terms with Wm. Fermerye. In mercy.

John Goldyng, Gilbert Pyggesle, Roger Peldon, Robert Peldon, and John Paynce. Fined 40*d.* for using false measures.

Wm. Caperoun for licence to come to terms with John Hall. In mercy.

Membrane 5.

Felicia Joye, attached to reply to Wm. Deyer, on plea of covenant, the latter stating that she hired a house in Eststrate from Easter to Michaelmas for *7sh. 6d.* Felicia is found not guilty, and William in mercy, *6l.*, for his false charge.

Hundred

Feast of St Gregory [12th March].

Essoigns.

Felicia Joye *v.* Will. le Deygher, by Rob. Beche.
Wm. Craft *v.* Will. Morckyn, by Rob. Beche.
Wm. Morckyn *v.* Wm. Craft, puts in his place Robert Beche.
John Causton *v.* Idonea Curtays, by Rob. Beche.

Day given to Rob. Arwesmyht, plaintiff, and Rog. Bulbek, defendant.

John Tylneke for licence to come to terms with John de Leyre, tailor. In mercy, *3d.*

[" Mora " in the Suburb of Colchester.]

Richard Packe came and produced a charter by which Robert Saburgh and Alice, his wife, granted to him all his "mora" [? yard] with house built upon it, and covering [tentorium] above it, in the suburb of Colchester. Witnesses, Adam de Colne and John atte Forde, bailiffs, and others. Dated Saturday after Feast of St. Matthias, 26th Edward III. [26th February, 1352].

[Messuage in Hythe Street.]

John Lavenham, chaplain, and Peter Waweyn came and produced a charter, whereby Robert West, of Wykes, and Agnes, his wife, granted to them a messuage in Hethestrat, formerly Bartholomew Bygot's, between the tenements of Henry Fynch and John Dawnyld. Witness, Matthew f. Roberti and Wm. Fermerye, bailiffs, etc. Dated Saturday after Feast of St. Matthias, 26th Edward III. [1 2].

Hundred

Monday the Morrow of the Annunciation [26th March, 1352].

Essoigns.

Felicia Joye *v.* Will. Deyere, by Wm. Mayhew.
William Lamb *v.* John Threscher, by John Frere.
Peter, servant of John Frere, *v.* John Threscher, by Thos. Bulbek.
John Schepherde *v.* the said John, by Wm. Mahew.
Wm. Craft *v.* Will. Morckyn, by John Castelayn.
John Causton *v.* Idonea Curteys, by Wm. Mayhew.
John Heieward *v.* Roger Chamberlayn, by the same.

Idonea Curtays for not coming to reply to John Causton. In mercy, and her pledges. Four pledges to be given.

Roger Bulbek for not appearing to reply to Robert Arwesmyht. He and his pledges in mercy, and to find four pledges.

[Tenement in the Market Place.]

William de Brome produced a charter of release which Wm. atte Broke (*sic*), of Dedham, and Matilda, his wife, acknowledged to be their deed, viz., release from Walter atte Broke, of Dedham, and Matilda, his wife, cousin and heir of John Bowyere, to Philippa, widow of John Arwesmyth

(according to the terms of the latter's will), and on her death to the aforesaid Wm. de Brome and Emma, his wife, of a tenement in Colchester marketplace, sometime John Bowyere's. Dated Thursday after Feast of St. Matthias [2nd March], 26th Edward III. [1352].

Richard King complains against Wm. Hervy, trespass. Pledges, Wm. Ode, Rog. Hootfoot. William's pledges, William Reyne, Roger Bakere.

Membrane 5 verso.

Hundred

Monday in the Second Week after Easter [16th April].

Essoign.

Wm. Hervy *v.* Ric. Kyng, trespass, by Rob. Beche.

Richard Couper for not coming to the hundred as summoned. In mercy, 3*d.*

Wm. Craft for not coming to reply to Wm. Morekyn. He and his pledges in mercy. To find four pledges.

Day given to Roger Chamberlayn and John Hereward.

[Price of Herring.]

Roger Bulbek pleaded not guilty to the charge brought by Robert Arwesmyht of breaking a covenant, viz, that Robert bought from him a last of herring for £4 6*s.* 8*d.*, to be paid within a month, but that Roger failed to deliver the goods. Enquiry ordered.

Henry Gaoler complains against John Whyter, trespass. Pledges for prosecution, John Castelayn, Roger Hotfoot. Pledges for defence, Alex. Botill(er), Peter Waweyn.

John Whyter complains against Wm. Kerdyf, trespass. Pledges for prosecution, John Rady, Peter Waweyn. Pledges for defence, Warin Parker, John Castelayn.

Isabella Boteuyll complains against Gilbert Fynger, trespass. Pledges for prosecution, Warin Parker, Thos. Bonde. Pledges for defence, Thos. Bonde, Wm. Ode.

Richard Shipman complains against Rob. Arwesmyht, trespass. Pledges for prosecution Rob. Beche, Wm. Mayhu. Pledges for defence, Elias Peddere, Rob. Beche.

Essoigns.

The above Hy. Gaoler, Gilbert Fynger (also *Membrane* 6), Roger Bulbek (also *Membrane* 6), Rob. Arwesmyht (also *Membrane* 6), Wm Hervy (also *Membrane* 6), and John Whyter.

Essoigns (de communi).

Wm. Botyngham, by Wm. Mahew.
Rob. Fraunceys, by Rob. Beche.
Thos. Bocher, by John Casteleyn.
Rich. Deyer, by Wm. Mahew.
John Sayer, by Rob. Beche.
Hugh Sadeler, by the same.
John atte Hyd, }
Joseph Daubere, }
Wm. Maldon, }
Rob. Colne, } by Rob. Beche.
John Graunger, }
Peter Norampton, }
Thos. Joseph, }

[Fines for not doing Suit.]

The Abbot of St. Osyth for not doing suit, "de communi." Mercy, 3*sh.* 4*d.*

The Prior of the Hospital of St. Cross for the same. Mercy, 12*d.*

Thos. Howe for the same. Mercy, 6*d.*

[Beer and Wine-Sellers Fined.]

In mercy for selling beer contrary to the assize (*v.* also above).

Wm. Pykeman's wife
Cristina Patrick
Thos. Hadleye
Avice, servant of Alice Porter
John Prentys
Semola, servant of Wm. Tye
Roger Lone's wife
Hy. Bosse's wife
Jo. Palmere
Wm. Spyllyng
Simon Plomer

Ditto for selling wine, etc.

William Buk

Membrane 6.

[Forestallers.]

In mercy for forestalling:—

Richard Hydman
Agnes Gyppes
Adam Mustarder
John Smart
Nichs. Cooke

[Millers Fined.]

In mercy for taking excess of toll.

John Melner and Wm. Speller, farmers of Lexden Mill.
Thos. Knop, farmer of Bournemyll.
John Knyght, farmer of Newmill.
John Baker, farmer of Old Mill.

Thomas Clerk, fuller, for not coming to the Lawehundred.

Philip atte Gate, Wm. Chatham, Peter Wysbeche, Wm. Crane, William Mace, Geoffrey Haras, Stephen Dauber, Nich. Couper, Maurice Coupere, Rog. Page.

John Syward, for withdrawing after being sworn in. Mercy, 3*d.*

[Various Presentments.—Damaging the Town Wall.]

It is presented that:—

John Canon drove out and illtreated Philip Rokele, whereupon the latter raised hue justly.

Rob. Arwesmyht struck, etc., Richard Schipman, the latter raising hue justly.

John Baker, struck, etc., John Cok, who raised hue justly.

Rob. Lod, struck, etc., Thos. Reynold's servant, who raised hue justly.

Agnes Gills did not scour her ditch round Curtays acre, to the injury, etc.

Arnulphus Ketyl for having his gutter stopped up, etc., preventing the water running from Morestret to Springoldesmore.

John Russel has made two posts opposite his house to the nuisance, etc.

The Abbot of St. John's has done the same in Lodderes lane [now Abbeygate Street], etc.

John Weston, Agnes Ratlysden, John atte Hyd, skynner, for leaving dung in the highway, etc.

Thos. Newelond has not scoured his ditch at Weststrat.

The Abbot of St. John's and Thomas Bulbek have not scoured their ditches near Le Wrongooke:

John Fynch and John Paccard for letting their taps [broca] run near their "moras" at Cheldewellbrok, etc.

Dom. Ralph, chaplain of St. Helen, has a ditch uncleansed about his land at Edyneslond

Two maidservants of Geoffrey Chapman have broken the stone wall of the town and carried off the stones to the said Geoffrey's house.

That Hugh, servant of John Pegon, and Robert de Kedyngton have done the same.

The servant of Wm. Mace is accustomed to do the same opposite the field of Colchester Castle.

John de Russhenden has a tenement in Hethestret, the close of which is in bad repair so that beasts get into the high road and Cheldewell field and spoil the growing corn.

John Somenour, woolman, is accustomed to send his wool into the market for sale, which immediately the same John is accustomed to buy, to the dearth of the whole market, etc., and will not share with the burgesses.

Richard Paccard sails to meet those sailing towards Colchester with various kinds of corn for sale there between New Heath and Westnesse, within the liberty, forestalling the market.

Geoffrey Dawe does the same.

Peter Machehyng, Ralph Smyht, John Nevard, William Aylmar, John atte Cherche, Simon his brother, John Melner and Hawise Sayer, of Lexden, burden the common pasture with their cattle.

Roger Petit, de la Neylond, draper, for buying woollen cloth "unfulled," against the statute. Fined.

Roger Pekerel for the same offence.

Gilbert, soc' (?socer = father-in-law) of Roger Potte, for same offence.

Philip Rokele complains against John Canoun. Pledges for prosecution, Wm. Hadleye, John Hall.

John Sayer *v.* John Paccard. Pledges to prosecute, John Mahew, John Castelayn.

Hundred

Monday before the Feast of the Ascension [14th May].

Essoigns.

Isabella Boteuyll *v.* Gilbert Fynger, by Wm. Mahew.
Wm. Kerdyf *v.* John Whyter, by Warin Parker.
Wm. Bacoun *v.* John Miatteman, of Leyr Marny, by Wm. Mahew.

The following for not coming to warrant their essoigns "de communi." In mercy.

Richard Sayer	Thos. Bocher	John Deyer
John atte Hyd	Wm. Maldon	Rob. de Colne
John Graunger		

Robert Lod, "quia incidit versus" Hy. Barbour, in plea of debt. In mercy, 3*d.*, which John Casteleyn* has.

John Tanner complains against John Paccard. Pledges to prosecute, John Hetheman, Roger Caselar. Pledges to defend, Rob. Beche, John Casteleyn.

Roger Peldon complains against John Palmere. Pledges to prosecute, Rob. Peldon, Robert Arundel. Pledges to defend, Warin Parker, Wm. Mayhew.

Hundred

Monday after Feast of St. Augustine [28th May].

Essoigns.

John Palmere *v.* Rog. Peldon, by Rob. Beche.
John Paccard *v.* John Tanner, by John Castelayn.

*John Casteleyn was one of the Sergeants. See page 220.

Membrane 6 verso

Wm. Hervy for not appearing against Roger Kyng, trespass, he and his pledges in mercy.

John Canon pleaded not guilty to charge brought by Philip Rokele of an assault, etc., in the latter's house in Eststrat, on Easter Eve. The enquiry found him guilty.

[Unsound Meat.]

John Canon for selling unsound meat, etc. Paid fine.

William Craft was attached by a brass pot, plate, etc., to reply to Wm. Merekyn, trespass. Further distraint ordered.

[Burgess Admitted.]

John Rady entered the Burgage, taking the oaths, etc. Pledges, Robert atte Forde, Richard Munston, John Mahew, Will. Mahew. Fine, 10s.

Roger Peldon for not coming to prosecute John Palmere, he and his pledges in mercy

Robert Brage complains *v.* Rob. Chapman. Pledges to prosecute, Bartholomew Dryuere, John Cosyn. Pledges to defend, J. Alay and J. Pecok.

Pleas

Saturday after Ascension Day [19th May].

Rob. Brage *v.* Rob. Chapman, as above.

Pleas

Wednesday after Holy Trinity [6th June].

John Flete, of Wysbeche, and John Flete, of "Gep" (?Ipswich), found guilty of an assault on Walter Skot, goldsmith, in the market place, etc.

Richard Mercyer for not coming as summoned.

Agnes Gylle complains *v.* Adam Wyston, debt. Pledges to prosecute, John Halle, Rob. Arundel. Pledges to defend, John Algod, Rob. Mauncer.

John Marham and Margery, his wife, *v.* Robert Taillour. Pledges to prosecute, John Clerk, Wm. Caldewell. Pledges to defend, Ric. Coupere, John Saburgh.

John Alayn, carter, *v.* Margery fil. Geoffrey Haras. Pledges to prosecute, John Frere, Robert Arundel. The defendant essoigned by Rob. Beche.

Hundred

Feast of St. Barnabas [Monday, 11th June].

Essoigns.

John Tannere *v.* John Paccard, by John Castelayn.
Wm. Kerdyf *v.* John Whyter, by Rob. Beche.
Rob. Arwesmyht *v.* Ric. Shepman, by Rob. Beche.
Wm. Bacon *v.* John Mintteman, by Rob. Arundel.
John Tannere *v.* John Paccard, debt, by Rob. Beche.
Rob. Taillour *v.* John Marham and Margery, his wife, by Ric. Coupere.

Wm. Kerdyf in reply to charge of assault on John Whyter is ready to defend, etc. Enquiry ordered.

Wm. Morekyn for licence to come to terms with Wm. Craft. In mercy.

Robert Brage for not coming to prosecute Rob. Chapman. In mercy.

Rob. Chapman for not coming to reply to same. In mercy.

Thos. de Polsted complains *v.* Rob. Marciun and John Palfreyman, Simon Rodbryght, and Wm. Paccard, trespass. Pledges to prosecute, Wm. Hadleye, R. Beche. Pledges to defend, John atte Forde, Rob. atte Forde.

Pleas

Wednesday after Feast of St. Botolph in same year [20th June].

[Breaking Open a Lock and Door.]

In the above case of trespass Robert Marciun is found guilty of breaking open a lock, window, and door, etc., of the said Thomas, and is in mercy. Simon Palfreyman and William Paccard throw themselves on the mercy of the said Thomas. In mercy.

[Another Assault Case.]

John Cok pleaded not guilty to charge of assault alleged by Ric. Manston to have been committed on Wm. Hulle, his servant, at "Le Southsserd." Trial ordered, the plaintiffs finding pledges, Clement Deyer and W. Mayhew, and the defendant finding pledges, John Rady and Thomas Lane.

John Muddyng, carr[ier ?], in Co. Oxon., complains *v.* John and Margy. Brede, trespass. Pledges, Roger Gaoler, Thos. Markishal. The defendant's pledges, Miles Terry, Richard Cofford.

Hundred

Monday after Nativity of St. John Baptist [25th June].

Essoigns.

John Muddyng *v.* John Brede and Margy., his wife, by Rog. Gaoler.
John Brede *v.* John Muddyng, by John Hall.
Margy. Brede *v.* the same, by H. Barbour.
John Paccard *v.* John Tanner, by Rob. Beche.
Wm. Kerdyf *v.* John Whyter, by Warin Parker.
Rob. Arwesmyht *v.* Ric. Shypman, by Rob. Beche.
The same *v.* Rog. Bulbek, by Rob. Beche.
Ric. Manston *v.* John Col, by John Hall.
Adam Wyston *v.* Agnes Gylle, by Warin Parker.
Wm. Bacoun *v.* John Mintteman, by Rob. Beche.
Ric. Kyng *v.* Wm. Hervy, by the same.

Ric. Kyng charges Wm. Hervy with an assault, who pleads not guilty, but is found guilty. Richard to recover damages.

Pleas

Monday after Feast of St. Peter [1st July].

John Kek acknowledges before the bailiffs that he is bound to Ric. Packe in 26*sh.*

Membrane 7.

Enquiry ordered on a charge brought by Walter Skot *v.* John de Bery of a common assault.

John Vynour, jun, *v.* John Busch. Pledges to prosecute, Rob. Beche, John Vynour, sen. Pledges to defend, Adam Turnour, Gilb. Fynger.

Roger Emaygne *v.* John Palmere, debt. Pledges for prosecution, John Cosyn, John Castel[ayn]. Pledges for defence, Warin Parker, Simon Lotoun.

John Careman *v.* Edm. Fons, debt. Pledges to prosecute, Robert Beche, John Castelayn. Pledges to defend, Wm. Heyre, John Castelayn.

Emma Lauender *v.* Wm. Peytevyn, trespass.

Hundred

Monday after Translation of St. Thomas [9th July].

Essoigns.

John Busch *v.* John Vynour, by Wm. Mahew.
Roger Emayne *v.* John Palmere, by John Castelayn.
John Palmer *v.* Rog. Emayne, by Warin Parker.
John Careman *v.* Edm. Fons, by Rob. Beche.
Wm. Peytevyn *v.* Emma Lauender, by Wm. Hadleye.
Wm. Kerdyf *v.* John Whyter, by Warin Parker.
Rob. Arwesmyht *v.* Ric. Schipman, by Rob. Beche.
John Cok *v.* Ric. Manston, by the same.
Agnes Gille *v.* Adam Wyston, by Rob. Arundel.
Adam de Wyston *v.* said Agnes, by Rob. Beche.
John Alayn *v.* Margy. fil. G. Haras, by John Castelayn.
The said Margy. *v.* said John, by Rob. Beche.

Wm. Hervy "quia incidit versus" Ric. Kyng. In mercy.

John Minteman "quia incidit versus" Wm. Bacon. In mercy.

Sarazen Flemyng "quia incidit versus" John Webbe. In mercy.

John Paccard pleads not guilty to the charge brought by John Tannere, for that he undertook to pay him the price of a portion of herring which the plaintiff sold to Gilbert Fynger. Trial ordered.

["Homsokne."*]

John Bery attached to reply to Walter Skot on a charge of assault and "homsokne" on the latter and his shop near St. Rumbold's Church. Charge denied, and defendant puts in his place Warin Parker.

John Flete complains *v.* Ric. Kyng, trespass. Pledges to prosecute, Rog. Gaoler, J. Flete, of Wisbeach. Pledges to defend, Wm. Clare, Wm. Hury.

Pleas

On Following Saturday [14th July].

Essoigns.

John Bery appears *v.* Walter Skoot, by Warin Parker, his attorney, essoigned by R. Beche.
Ric. Kyng *v.* John Flete, by Rob. Beche.

*Homsoken, *i.e.*, Housebreaking, or sometimes "the privilege or freedom which every man hath in his house," the invader of such freedom being said "facere homsoken." The term is also used to mean "an impunity for those who commit the crime."

Pleas

Monday before Feast of St. Margaret [18th July].

Walter Skoot appears *v.* John Bery, by Warin Parker, his attorney, and owing to failure to get a jury the case is postponed.

Essoigns.

Ric. Manston *v.* John Cok, essoigned by Rob. Beche.
Ric. Kyng *v.* John Flete, by Ric. Manston.
John Drory *v.* Walt. Abbot and Juliana, his wife, wherefore the King's writ, by Rob. Beche.

[Burgess Admitted.]

John Somenour, lanarius, entered the burgage. Finding pledges, John Beyn, John Deyer, Wm. Prentys, and Ric. Manston. Fine, 10*sh.*

Wm. Reyne complains of John Fretheman, jun. Plaintiff's pledges, John Kek, Wm. Mate. Defendant's pledges, Rob. Cocus, Ric. Bental, Thos. Welond.

John Flete, of Gep (Ipswich), *v.* Wm. Walogre, Gyles Bytre, Arnold de Bytre, trespass. Pledges to prosecute, John "of than Hek," John Fullenho, John Pastok, Richd. Leyre, J. Vynour, John Beyn. Enquiry ordered on *Membrane 7 verso.*

Hundred

Monday after Feast of St. Magdalen [23rd July].

Essoigns.

Edmund Fons *v* John Careman, by Rob. Arundel.
Warin Parker, attorney of John Bery, *v.* Walter Flete, by R. Beche.
Ric. Kyng *v.* John Flete, by R. Beche.

John Fretheman, for not coming to reply to Wm. Reyne. In mercy.

[3d. Damages for a Servant.]

ENQUIRY on suit of Ric. Manston and John Cok finds that the latter drove out William [Hulle], the said Richard's servant—damages, 3*d.*—and did no other damage; nor was it on that account that William left Richard's service. The said William to recover 3*d.*

[Burgess Admitted.]

Adam Botiller, of Colne, entered the Burgage, etc. Pledges, Rob. Fraunceys, Rob. atte Forde, Adam de Colne, Wm. Hadleye. Fine, 10*sh.*

Membrane 7 verso.

[Bakers Fined.]

Bakers' bread weighed, etc. The following fines made:—

Thos. Deynes, short in penny loaf,	22*sh.* 8*d.*	Fine in all 35*sh.* 2*d.*
John Baker ,, ,, ,,	14*sh.* 10*d.*	
John Pulham ,, ,, ,,	16*sh.*	
John Dollard ,, ,, ,,	20*sh.*	
John Pegon ,, ,, ,,	10*sh.*	
Wm. Bacoun ,, ,, ,,	(not given)	

[Will of Thomas atte Hache.]

The will of John atte Hache, butcher, proved, whereby he bequeaths his meat stall, lately acquired from Ric. Hardyng, to Joan his wife. Dated, Monday before Feast of St. Margaret, 26th Edward III. [1352].

Thomas de la Neylond produced a charter by which Joan, widow of William Balle, granted to him a tenement in St. Martin's Parish, Colchester, in Eststockewellstret. Dated Saturday after Feast of St. James, 26th Edward III. [*i.e.*, 28th July, 1352].

The same produces a charter, dated same date, by which John, son and heir of Wm. Balle, of Peldon, released to him his claim in the same tenement in Eststokwellstret.

[Plea of Freshforce.]

Wm. de Brome and Emma, his wife, complain against Adam de Colne, Wm. Buk, and Philippa, widow of Joan Arwesmyht, on plea of freshforce. Pledges for prosecution, John Beyn, Rob. atte Forde; and they have a day.

Wm. Reyne complains against John Fretheman, trespass. Pledges for prosecution, Rob. Beche, John Castelayn.

Robert Parlys complains against John Norampton, trespass. Pledges for prosecution, Adam Waryn, Alex. Botiller. Pledges for defence, Will. Mahew, J. Scotlond.

Hundred

Monday after Feast of St. James [30th July, 1352].

Essoigns.

John Drory *v.* Walter and Juliana Abbot, by Rob. Beche.
Wm. Faulocie *v.* John Flete, by the same.
Giles de Bytre *v.* Jo. Flete, by John Castelayn.
Arnold de Bytre *v.* Jo. Flete, by John Mahew.
Warin Parker, attorney of John de Bery *v.* Walter Skoot, by Rob. Beche.
Ric. Kyng *v.* Jo. Flete, by Walter Mahew.
John Sweyn *v.* John atte Hyd, by Hy. Barbour.
Margaret Haras *v.* John Alayn, by Wm. Hadleye.

Wm. Peytevyn for licence to come to terms with Emma Lauender. In mercy.

Day given to Agnes Gylle and Adam Wyston, debt.

[Assault Admitted.]

John Norampton "quia incidit versus" Rob. Parlys and acknowledging that he struck him paid fine.

John Thomas for licence to come to terms with Rog. Belch. In mercy.

[Burgess Admitted.]

Richard Felix entered the Burgage, taking the oath, etc. Pledges, Rog. Belch, John Deyer, John Tanner, John Castelayn. Fine, 10*sh.*

Membrane 8.

Hundred

Monday after Feast of St. Laurence [13th August]

Essoigns.

Adam de Colne *v.* Wm. de Brome, by Ric. Manston.
Will. Buk *v.* Wm. and Emma de Brome, by Will. Mahew.
Philippa, widow of John Arwesmyht, *v.* the same, by Rob. Arundel.

John atte Hyd *v.* John Sweyn, by Simon Loton.
Margaret Haras *v.* John Alayn, by Wm. Hadleye.
The said John *v.* the said Margaret, by Rob. Beche.
John Sweyn *v.* John atte Hyd, by John Castelayn.

Day given to John Whyter, plaintiff, and Wm. Kerdyf, defendant, owing to failure of Jury.

[Plea of Freshforce.]

Wm. de Brome appoints John Hall and Rob. Beche, clerk, his attorneys—plea of freshforce—*v.* Adam de Colne, Wm. Buk, and Philippa Pecok. Emma, wife of W. de Brome, appoints Rob. Beche as her attorney in same case.

Wm. Faulocre, Giles Bytre, and Arnold Bytre "quia inciderunt versus" John Flete. In mercy. Fine paid to Wm. Mahew.

John Busch for not appearing to reply to John Vynour. He and his pledges in mercy, etc. Four pledges to be found.

Similarly Adam Wyston for not replying to Agnes Gylle. In mercy, etc.

[Burgesses Admitted.]

Entered the Burgage, each paying fine, 10*sh.*:—

William Badel. Pledges, Rob. Arundel, Ric. Manston, Wm. Mahew, John Castelayn.

Simon Smyht, of Bergholt. Pledges, Wm. Hadleye, Ad. de Colne, Simon Loton, Warin Parker.

Day given for Rog. Emayne, plaintiff, and John Palmer, defendant.

Day given for Walt. Skeet [? Skoot], plaintiff, and John de Bery, defendant.

John Flete "quia incidit versus" Ric. Kyng. In mercy.

Edmund Fons attached to reply to Ric. Careman, on charge of breach of covenant. (No particulars given.)

Hundred

Monday after Feast of St. Bartholomew [27th August].

Essoigns.

Ric. Careman *v.* Edm. Fons, by Rob. Beche.
John Bussch to be seized, as he will not find pledges, etc., as reported by Rob. Arundell, serjeant in le Estward

Adam Wyston for licence to come to terms with Agnes Gylle. In mercy. The former acknowledging that he owes her 14*sh.* 8*d.*

John Palmere for not coming to reply to Rog. Emayne. In mercy. To find four pledges.

Day given for Walter and Juliana Abbot, plaintiff, *v.* John Drory, defendant.

[Burgess Admitted.]

John Marham entered the Burgage, finding pledges, Wm. Caldewell, John Clerk, John atte Hyd, Adam f. Stephani, and paying fine, 10*sh.*

[Bakers Fined.]

Bakers' bread taken and weighed by John Packeman, Stephen Munde, Peter Baker, and Robert Goode, with this result:—

John Dollard,	short in	penny loaf,	32*sh.*,	fine	10*sh.*
John Pulham,	,,	,,	23*sh.*,	,,	6*sh.* 8d.
John Baker,	,,	,,	26*sh.*,	,,	13*sh.* 4*d.*
John Pegon,	,,	,,	8*sh.*,	,,	3*sh.* 4*d.*
Wm. Goode,	,,	,,	40*d.*	,,	18*d.*

Reginald Sherewynd *v.* Geoffrey Marchal. Pledges to defend, Ric. Dyngaryht, Rob. Arundel. Pledges to prosecute, Rob. Beche, J. Castelayn.

[Defendant taken into Custody.]

Robert Sage complains *v.* John Draper. Pledges to prosecute, Ric. Evesyng, Wm. Ode. The defendant being unwilling to find pledges is ordered to be seized.

John Gosse, clerk, and Warin Parker, executors of will of Juliana, widow of Warin atte Well, complain against Richard Sayer. Pledges to prosecute, Wm. Hadleye and Rob. Beche, clerk.

Reginald Sherewynd complains against Geoff. Marchal. Pledges to prosecute, Robert Flech, Rob. Beche. Pledge to defend, Ric. Dingaryht.

Membrane 8 *verso.*

Hundred

Monday after Nativity of Blessed Virgin Mary [10th September]

Essoigns.

Adam de Colne *v.* Will. de Dycons and Emma, his wife, by Roger Alfreed.
Joan, widow of John Arwesmyht, *v.* the same Wm. and Emma, by John Drory
Margaret Haras *v.* John Alayn, by Wm. Hadleye.
John Alayn *v.* Margt. Haras, by Rob. Beche.
Geoffrey Marchal *v.* Roger Sherwynd, by Rob. Arundel.

John Palmer "quia incidit versus" Rog. Evesyng.

John Bussch pleaded not guilty to charge of assault on John Vynour.

John Orlog' for drawing blood from Idonea Curtays. In mercy. The same John in mercy or the hue raised on him by Idonea. In mercy.

[Burgess Admitted.]

Roger Baker entered the burgage. Finding pledges, John Pood, Thos. Mark, John Savage, Henry Bosse. Fine, 10*sh.*

Cases, John Whyter *v.* Wm. Kerdyf, adjourned.
Walter Skeet *v.* John de Bery, adjourned.
Walter and Juliana Abbot *v.* John Drory, adjourned.

[Price of Corn.—Exceeding the Customary Price.]

John Cutte, of St. Osyth, was attached by 2 bushels of corn, for which he gave more than the customary price, to the loss of the commonalty. He stated that he bought it not at the fixed price, but as better corn, and asks an enquiry. It was found that he bought the corn at the fixed price for 16½*d.*, whereas formerly they sold better corn for 14*d.* Corn forfeited.

Copyn de Voos, complains *v.* Elias Pedder, trespass. Pledges to prosecute, John Pykeman, Wm. Salysby. Pledges to defend, John Mahew, Wm. Mahew.

Wm. Somenour complains *v.* John Melnere, trespass. Pledges to prosecute, Ric. Dingaryht, W. Mahew. Pledges to defend, John Baker, W. Mahew.

Wm. Maldon complains *v.* Dom. Nicholas, parson of Wygg[bergh]. Pledges to prosecute, Wm. Hadle, R. Frauncis. Pledges to defend, John Fynch, John Castelayn.

Hundred

Monday after Feast of St. Matthew [24th September].

The plaintiffs and defendants in three above cases essoigned.

Case, Wm. and Emma Brome *v.* Petronilla, widow of John de Arwesmyht, adjourned.

Wm. Buk and Adam de Colne, defendants in plea of freshforce, adjourned to next hundred—without essoign.

In mercy:—

John Melner for licence to come to terms with Wm. Somenour.

John Sweyn for licence to come to terms with John atte Hyd.

John Kyng for non-appearance at the Hundred

Rob. Marcion, Tho. Cook, Rog. Taillour, Rob. Holebrok, Wm. Webbe, and John Pulham for the same offence.

[A Costly Blow.]

The jury in case of John Whyter and Wm. Kerdyf find that William struck John with his fist, to the damage of 6*sh.* 8*d.* John to recover, and William, for false defence, in mercy.

William le Whreyhte, of Staneweye, produced a charter whereby Thomas Whythermersch, burgess, and Petronilla, his wife, granted to him a messuage near La Northssherd Dated Monday after Nativity of Blessed Virgin Mary, 26th Edward III. [*i.e.*, 10th September, 1352].

Thos. Bulbek, John Pod, and Wm. Wreyghte came and acknowledged that they were bound to Thomas Whythermerssh in two marks.

Pleas, Colchester

Wednesday after Feast of St. Matthew [26th September].

Essoigns.

Wm. and Joan Maldon *v.* Dom. Nicholas, parson of Wyggebergh Magna, by Wm. Mahew.

The said Nicholas *v.* the same William and Joan, by Rob. Beche.

Monday following [1st October].

The same parties essoigned.

Hy. Barbour complains *v.* John Cook; found pledges to prosecute, John Draper, J. Machon. Sum, £4 3*s.* 6*d.*

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